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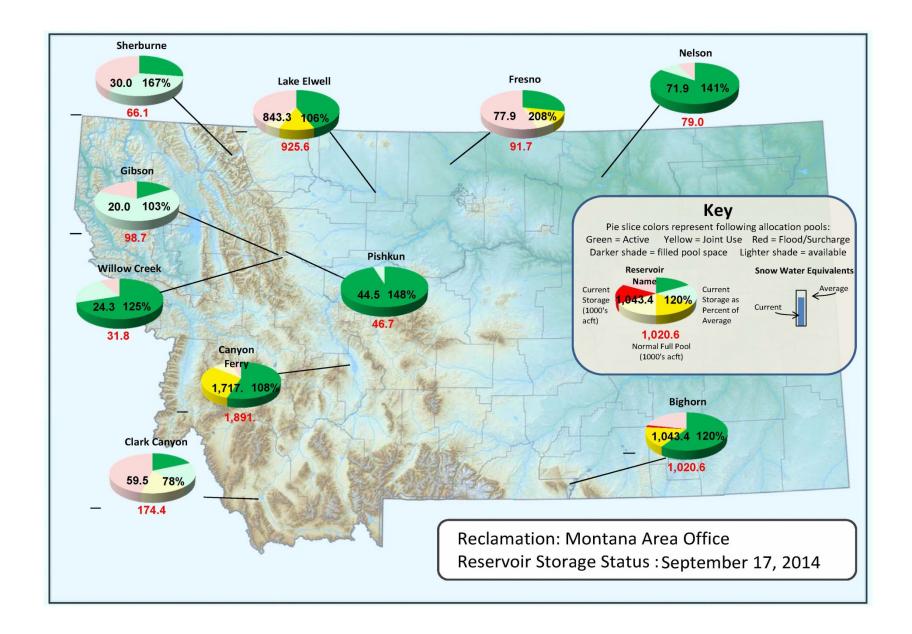
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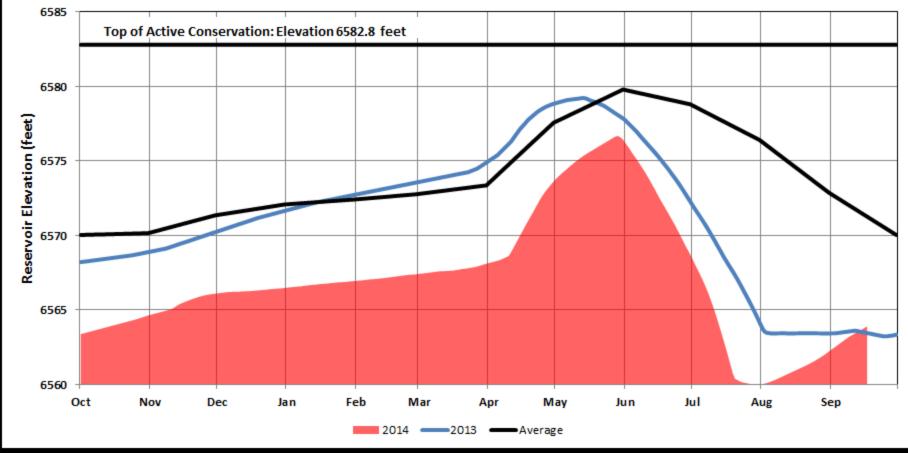
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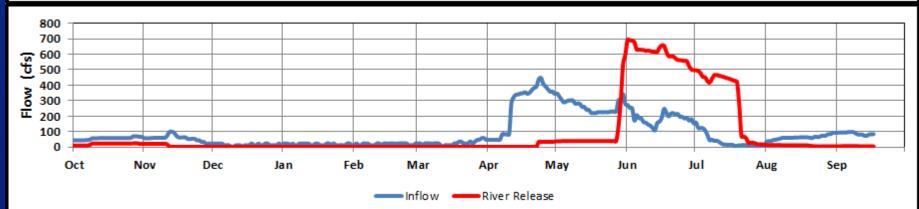


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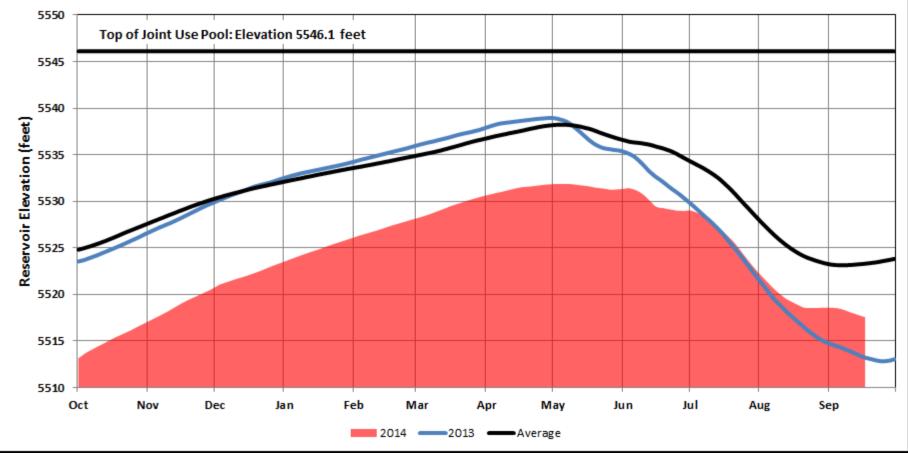


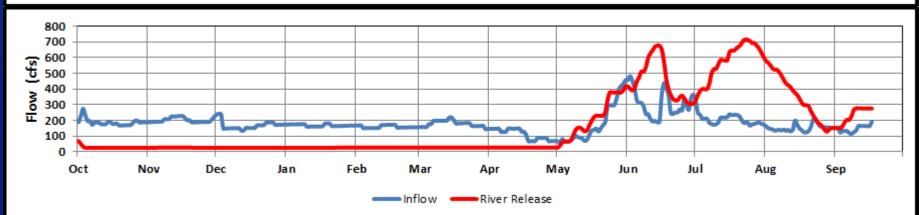
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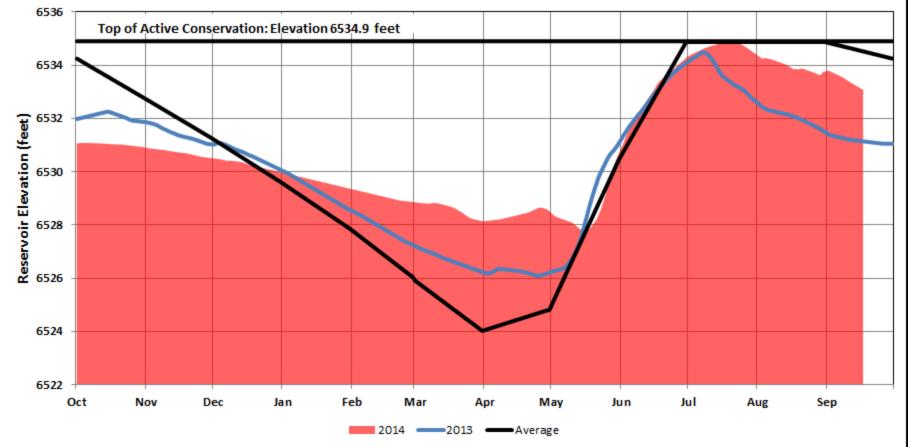
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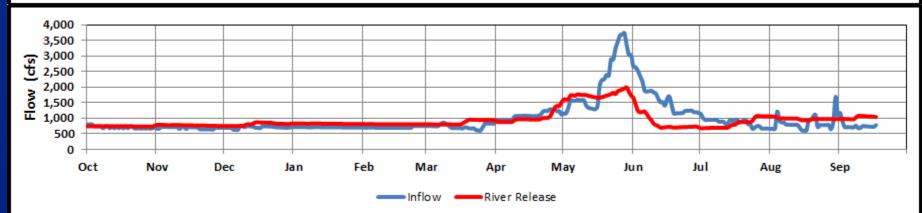




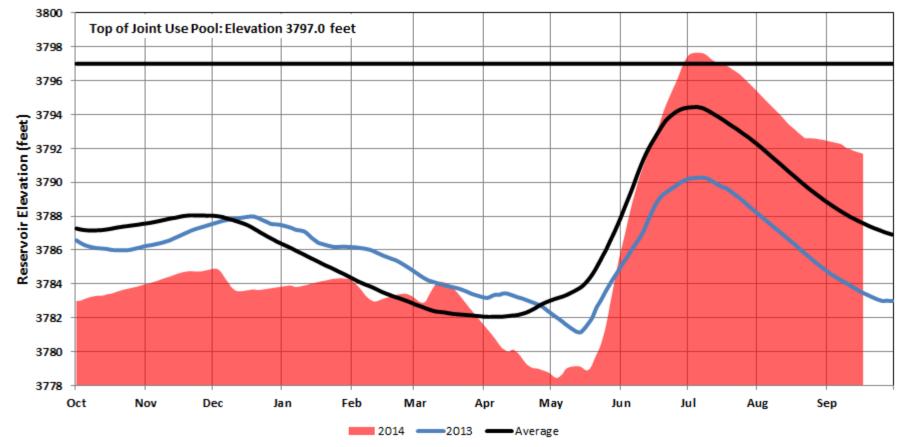
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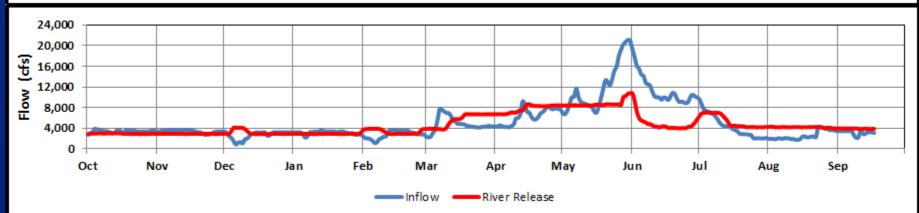
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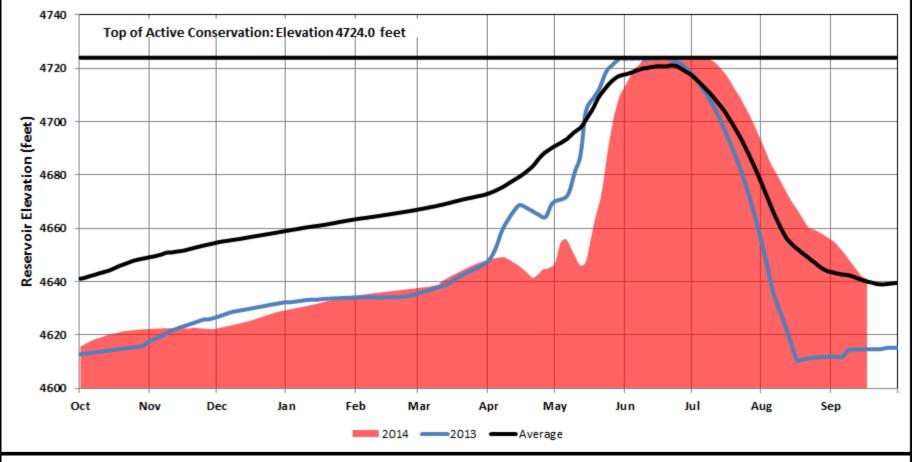


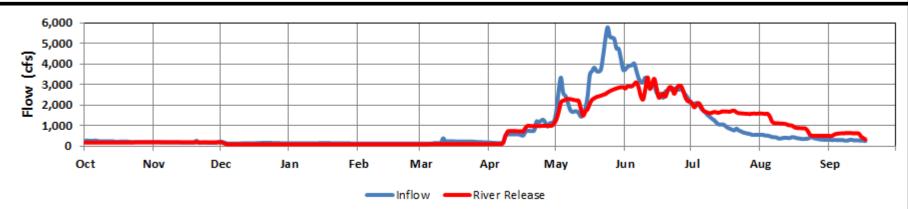
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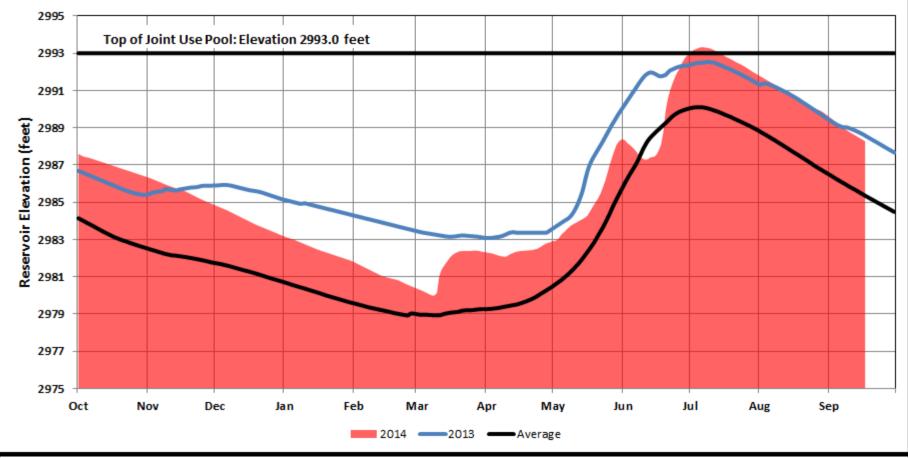


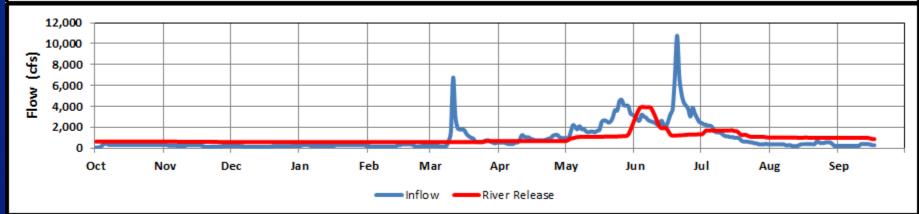
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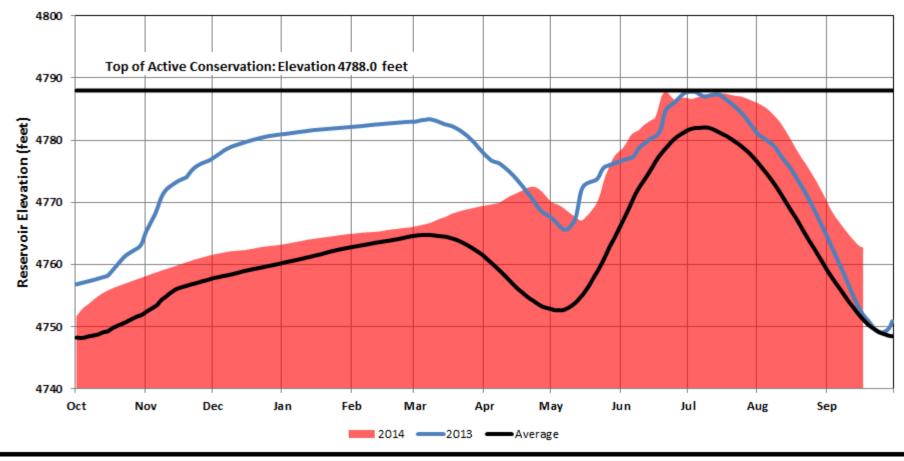


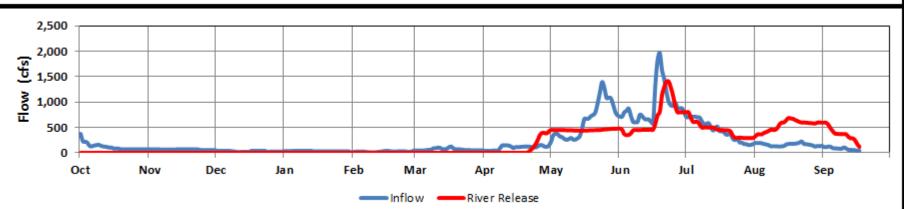
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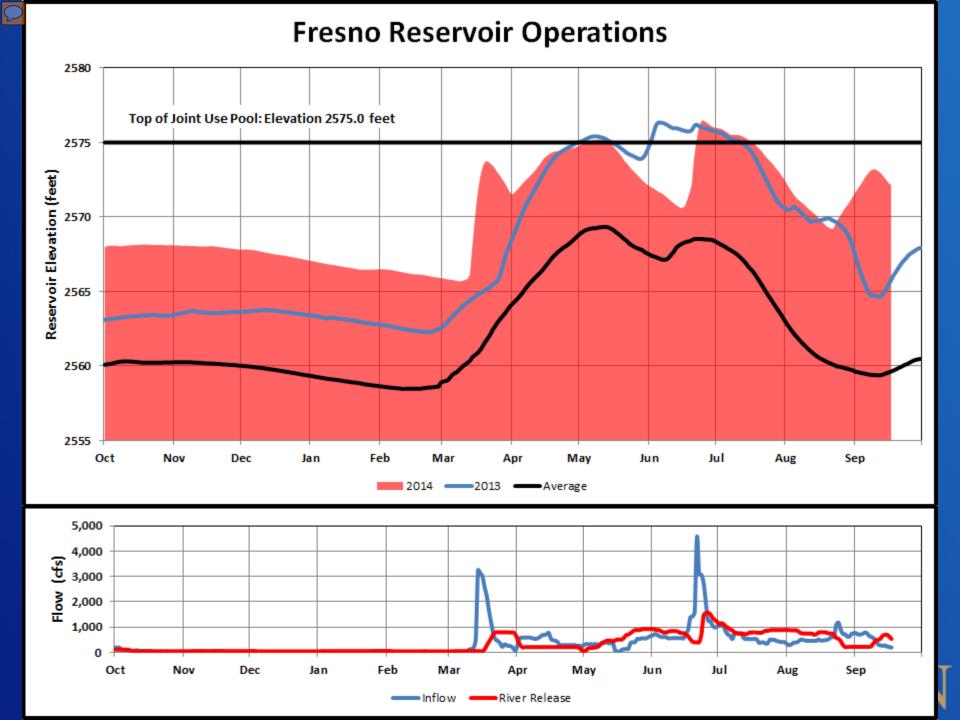




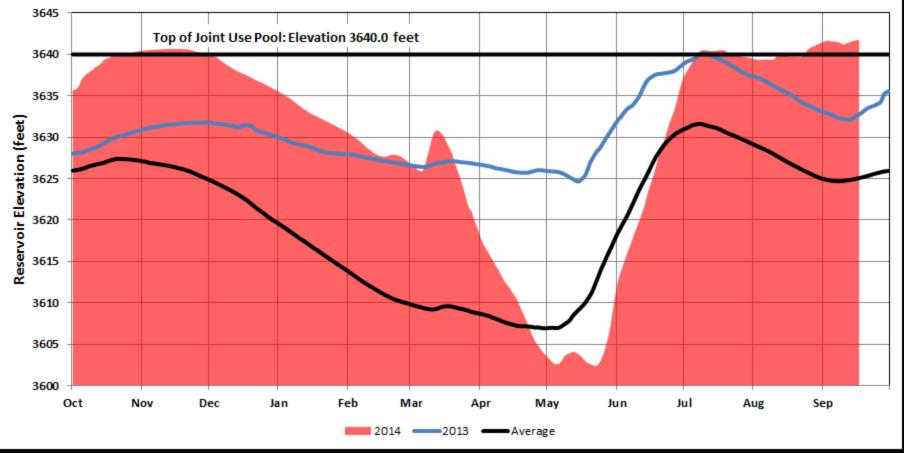
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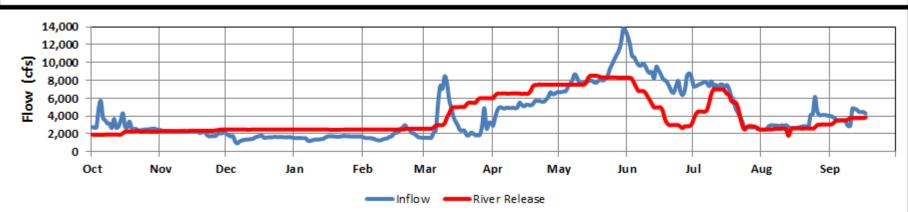






Bighorn Lake (Yellowtail Dam) Operations





Summary of Reservoir Conditions

- Storage in all Reclamation reservoirs is above the 30 year average, except for Clark Canyon. Storage in all Reclamation reservoirs except Tiber is above last year's storage level.
- Reclamation is currently working with Corps of Engineers to evacuate storage in the Exclusive Flood Control in Bighorn Lake.
- Operational outlooks are favorable to maintain desired river fishery flows.

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Reclamation's Internet Website

http://www.usbr.gov/gp/hydromet/

- near real-time data available through the HYDROMET data system
- summaries and plots of historical data
- annual reservoir operating plan publication
- monthly water supply reports
- project data
- snow plots
- links to related internet sites

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Reservoir Storage Outlook

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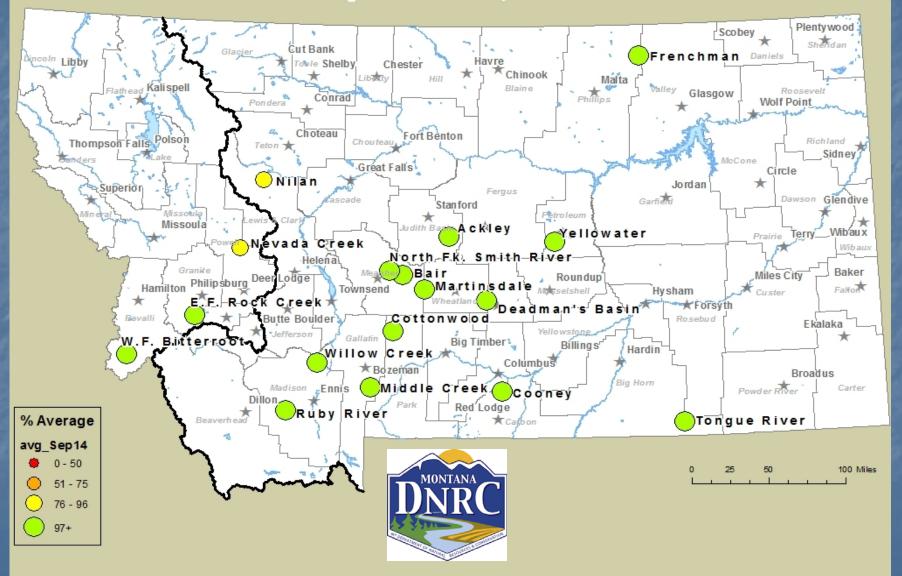
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MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION

WATER RESOURCES DIVISION - STATE WATER PROJECTS BUREAU

August 31, 2014

All Contents in Acre-Feet

RESERVOIR	TOTAL CAPACITY (includes dead storage)*	CONTENTS							
	Full Pool	AVERAGE	Last Year	Last Month	PRESENT	% CAPACITY	%AVERAGE	READING	COMMENTS
	Contents	1960 - 2013	8/31/2013	7/31/2014	8/31/2014	8/31/2014	8/31/2014	DATE	
ACKLEY	6,722	3,397	4,273	5,399	4,777	71	141	9/4/2014	elev.=4309.87
BAIR	7,300	3,304	2,805	6,416	5,200	71	157	8/28/2014	elev.=5316.4
COONEY	28,230	17,419	19,418	24,440	21,607	77	124	8/30/2014	elev.=4242.89 (21,517 AF)
COTTONWOOD	1,900	677	222	1,745	1,140	60	168	8/25/2014	elev.=5098.69
DEADMAN'S BASIN	75,968	35,803	32,699	61,770	54,837	72	153	8/28/2014	elev.=3910.25 (51,087 AF)
E.F. ROCK CREEK	16,040	6,186	4,782	10,615	9,971	62	161	9/2/2014	elev.=6038.4
FRENCHMAN	2,777	1,572	2,626	2,340	2,717	98	173	9/4/2014	elev.=2264.5
MARTINSDALE	23,348	9,520	6,041	20,016	14,458	62	152	9/2/2014	elev.=4768.9
MIDDLE CREEK	10,184	6,514	6,354	9,130	8,006	79	123	9/2/2014	elev.=6711.6
NEVADA CREEK	11,207	6,318	3,429	9,243	5,953	53	94	8/31/2014	elev.=4599.85
NILAN	10,992	6,170	5,595	7,833	5,841	53	95	8/29/2014	elev.=4430.76 (4,941 AF)
N.FK. SMITH RIVER	11,406	5,697	5,812	10,732	8,241	72	145	8/28/2014	elev.=5477.7
RUBY RIVER	37,612	16,382	15,026	30,594	21,722	58	133	8/26/2014	elev.=5374.6
TONGUE RIVER	79,071	44,982	47,452	71,482	61,178	77	136	9/2/2014	elev.=3423.2
W.F. BITTERROOT	32,362	15,850	15,907	30,664	16,059	50	101	9/1/2014	elev.=4694.28
WILLOW CREEK	18,000	9,630	6,566	16,310	11,929	66	124	8/29/2014	elev.=4727.75
YELLOWATER	3,842	1,388	3,593	2,880	4,039	105	291	9/1/2014	elev.=3119.2

^{*} Note: Reservoir contents include dead storage at the following:

Ackley 1001 AF ** 0&M slope storage table does not include dead storage (so dead storage has to be added into the storage from the table)

Cooney 90 AF ** Tongue River 711 AF (O&M storage table includes dead storage)
Deadman's 3750 AF ** W. F. Bitterroot 711 AF (O&M storage table includes dead storage)
Nilan 900 AF ** Willow Creek 269 AF (O&M storage table includes dead storage)

^{*} Note: Cooney capacity reflects capacity after 1982 dam rehabilitation; prior capacity was 24,195 A.F.. Average storage shown is for post rehabilitation data.

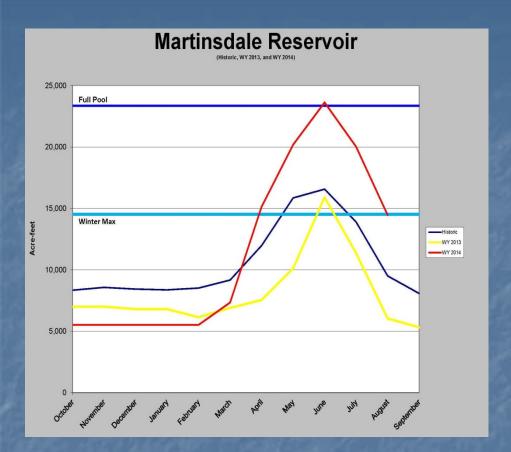
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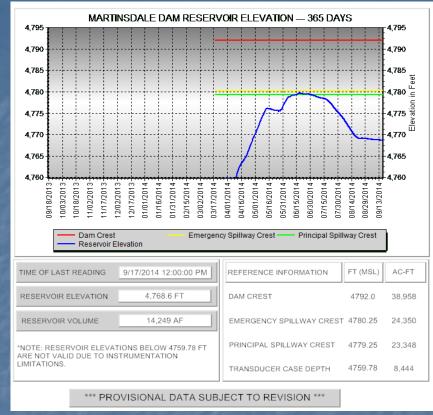
^{*} Note: Nevada Creek Reservoir Capacity reflects live storage capacity survey conducted in year 2000. Prior live storage capacity documented as 12,723 AF.

^{*} Note: Tongue River capacity reflects capacity after 1999 dam rehabilitation; prior capacity was 68,040 A.F.. Average storage is post rehabilitation data.

^{*} Note: Frenchman Reservoir capacity tables updated based on aerial survey; prior capacity was 3752 A.F. Average shown is pre aerial survey



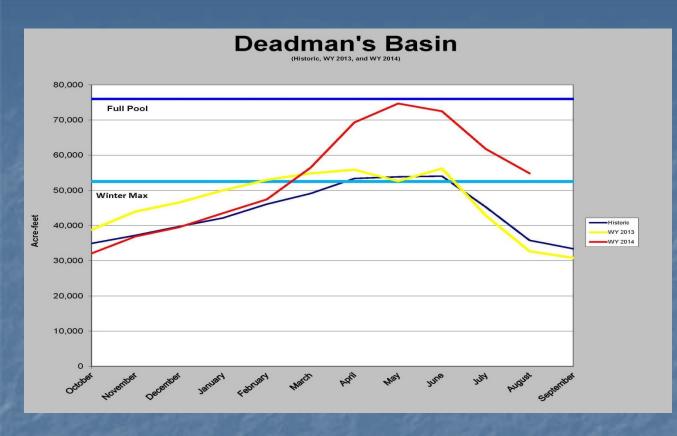






- •62% Capacity
- •14,249 Acre-Feet
- •Elev.=4,768.6
- •Water Supply is favorable

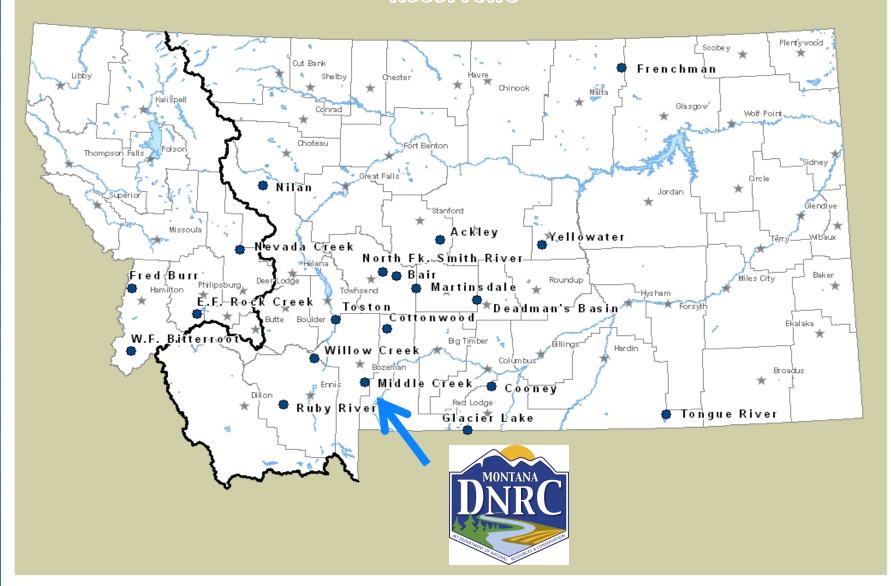


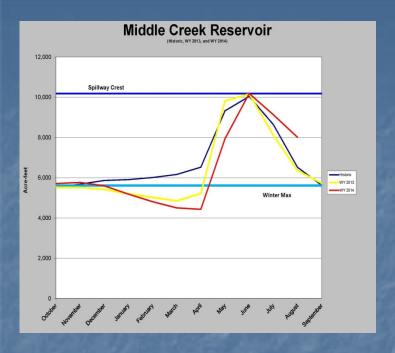


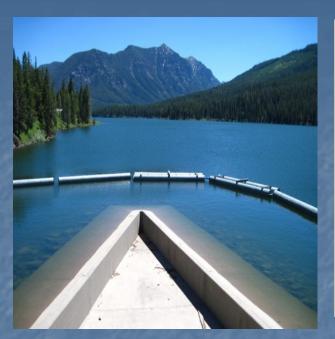
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- •Elev.=3910.25
- •Water Supply is favorable



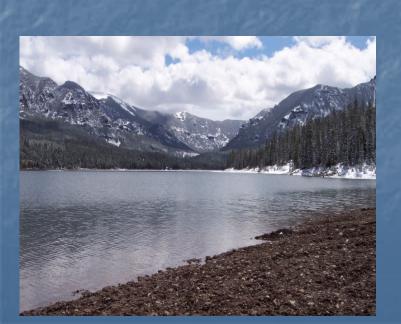


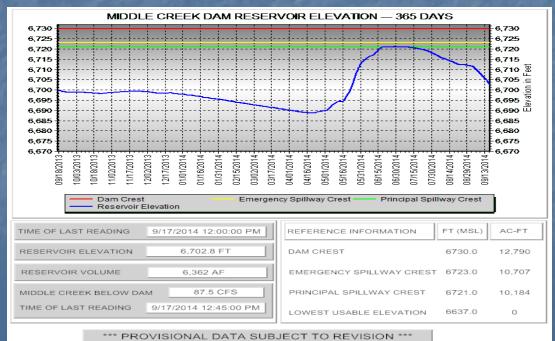


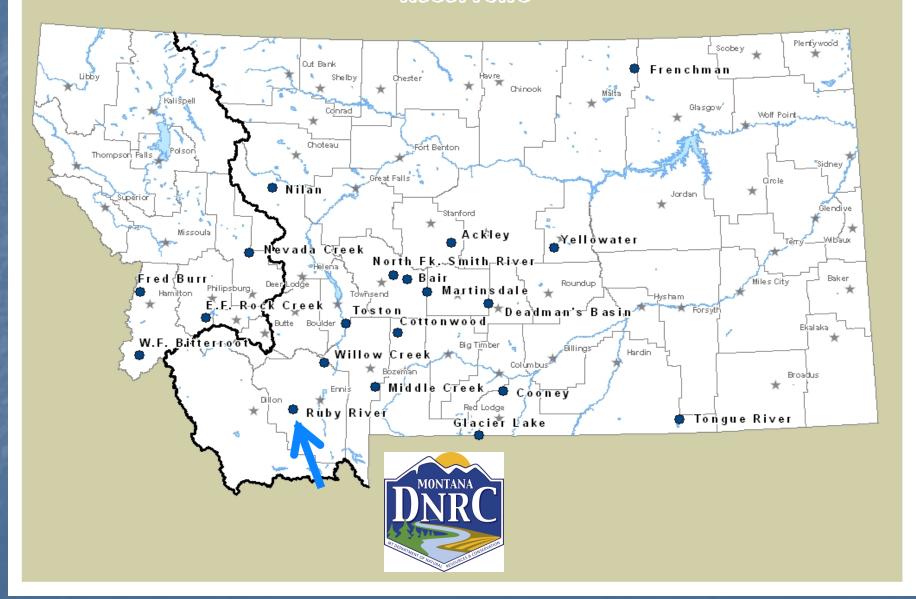


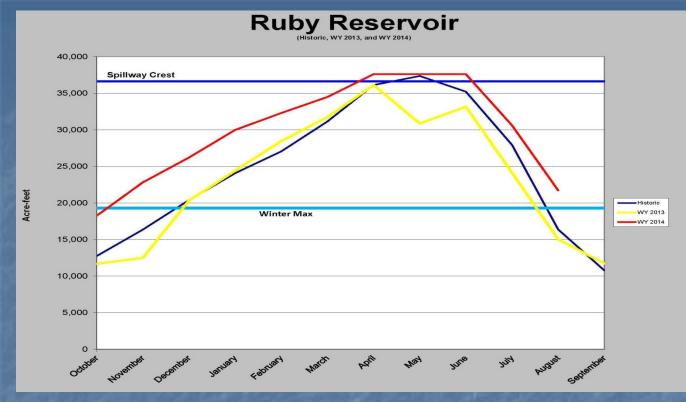


- •62% Capacity
- •Outflows=88 cfs
- •6,362 Acre-Feet
- •Elev.=6702.8
- •Water Supply is favorable







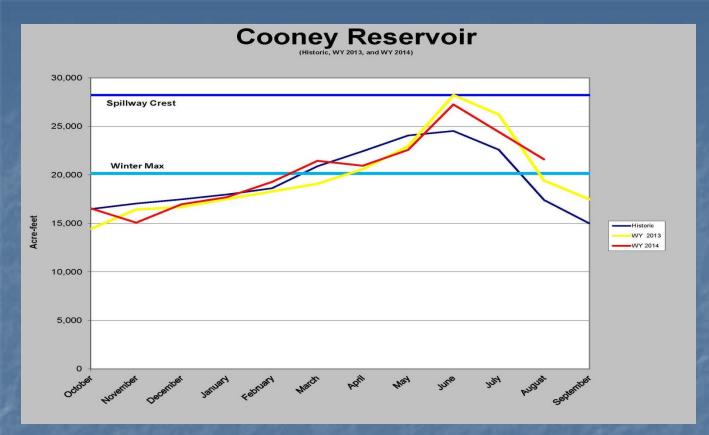


- •58% Capacity
 - •Inflows= 89 cfs
 - •Outflows=242 cfs
- •21,722 Acre-Feet
- •Elev.=5374.6
- •Water Supply is favorable



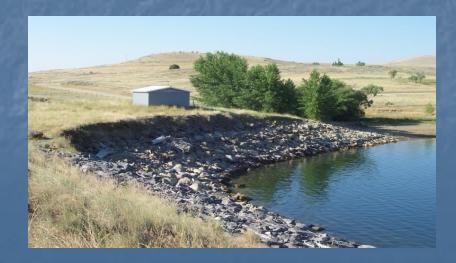






- •77% Capacity
- •21,607 Acre-Feet
- •Elev.=4249.89
- •Inflows= 110 cfs
- •Outflows= 180 cfs
- •Water Supply is favorable



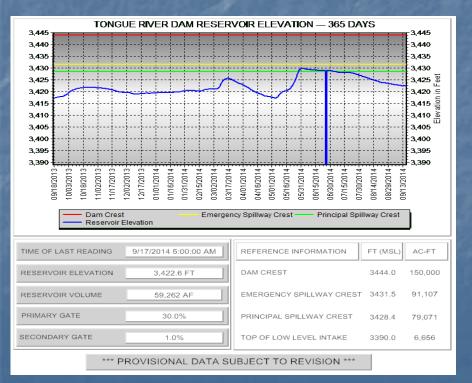


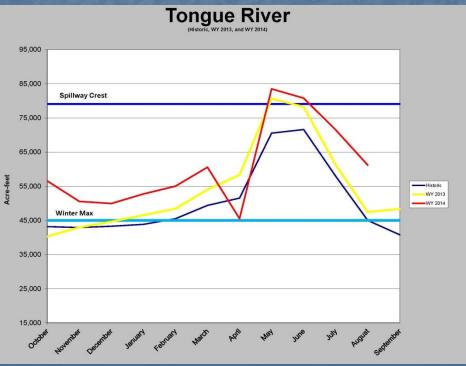






- •75% Capacity
- •59,262 Acre-Feet
- •Elev.=3422.6
- •Inflows=410 cfs
- •Outflows=400 cfs
- •Water Supply is favorable





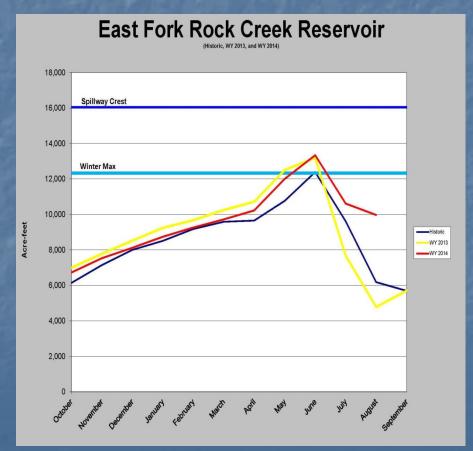




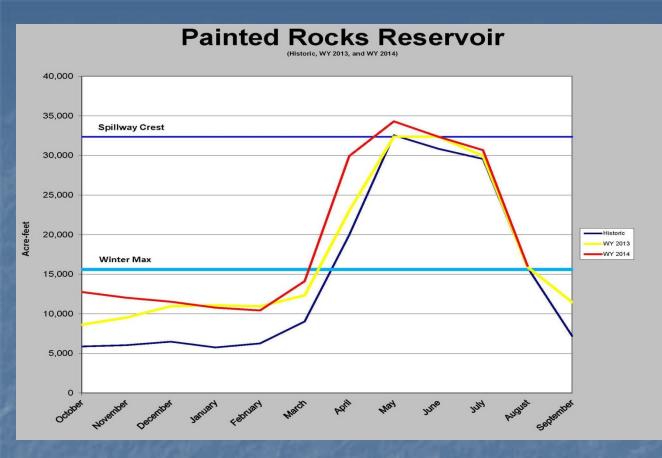


- •39% Capacity
- •6,185 Acre-Feet
- •Elev.=6025.6
- •Water Supply is favorable









- •50% Capacity
- •16,059 Acre-Feet
- •Elev.=4694.28
- •Outflows=206 cfs
- •Water Supply is favorable





Summary

- Majority of DNRC SWP Reservoirs filled to capacity during spring runoff.
- Early September precipitation provided brief chance for late season storage at select projects.
- Irrigation season winding down, releases decreasing steadily.
- Water Supply is favorable for DNRC SWP reservoirs and water users should expect full contracted deliveries through WY 2014
- Assuming normal conditions throughout the remainder of WY 2014 winter carryover levels should be favorable to start WY 2015.



Fishing Restrictions







Fire Restrictions on FWP Lands

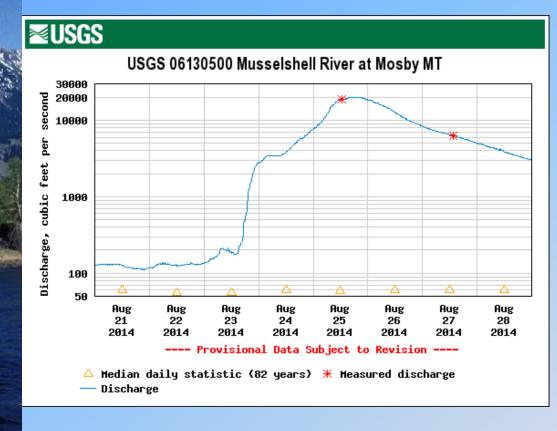
Region 7:

Stage I Fire Restrictions:

- Broadus Bridge FAS
- Powder River County (August 6)



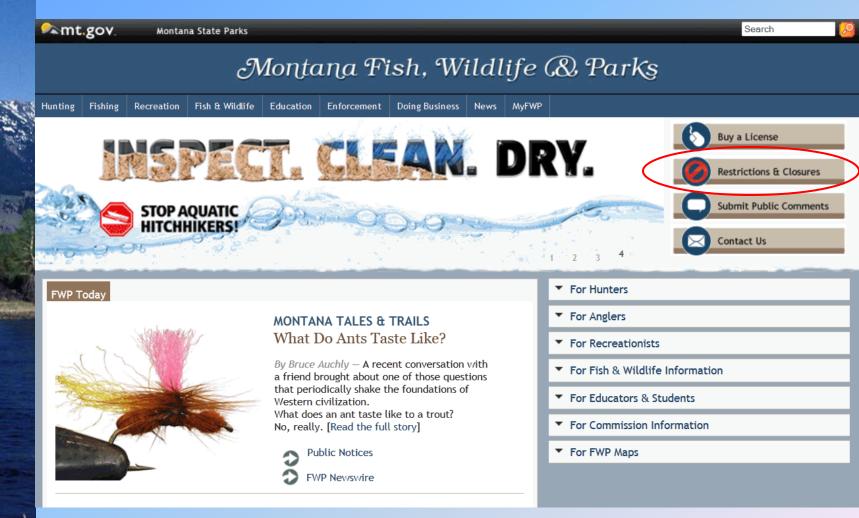
Flood Update



- -Region 6 has seen an uptick in stream permitting applications for damaged infrastructure;
- -Ongoing damage
 assessment activities
 on Flatwillow Creek
 and the Lower
 Musselshell.



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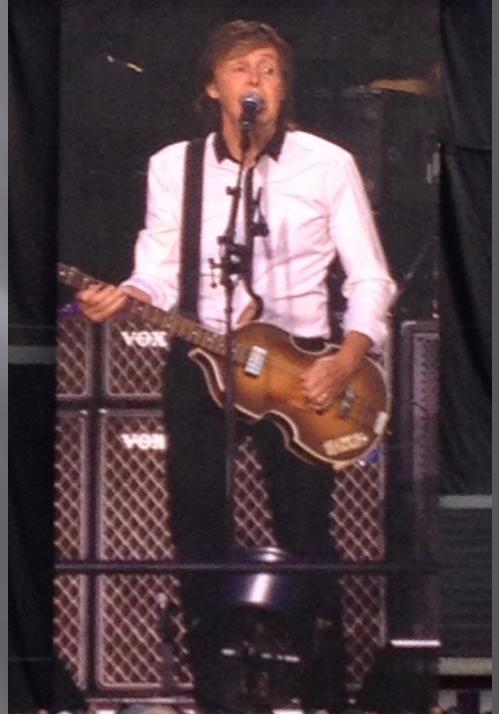
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James McMurtry Top Hat Missoula

Sir Paul McCartney Washington-Grizzly Stadium



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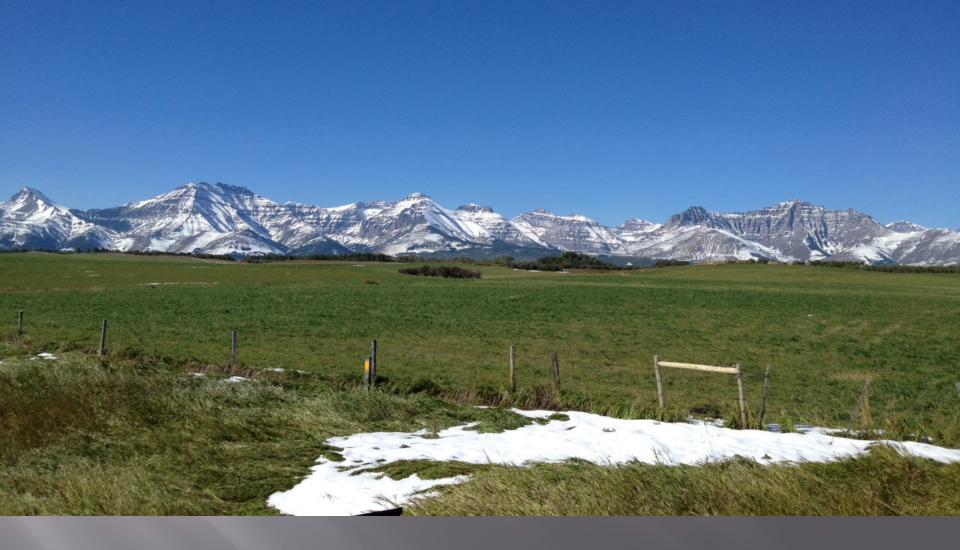
ZZ Top Missoula Waterton Park

Spruce Meadows Masters Tournament Calgary Alberta





Spruce Meadows Closing Ceremonies RCMP Musical Ride



Canadian Rockies North of Waterton



National 7-day Significant Fire Potential Outlook

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Northern Rockies Area 7 Day **Significant Fire Potential**

Legend

Issued: Tuesday, Sep 16, 2014

Parameters: None 🔻

Fuel Dryness



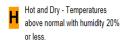
Dry - Low risk of large fires in the absence of a "High Risk" event.



Data Unavailable.

High Risk Events

Wind - Sustained speeds of 20 mph or greater.



Lightning - LALs of 3 or higher.

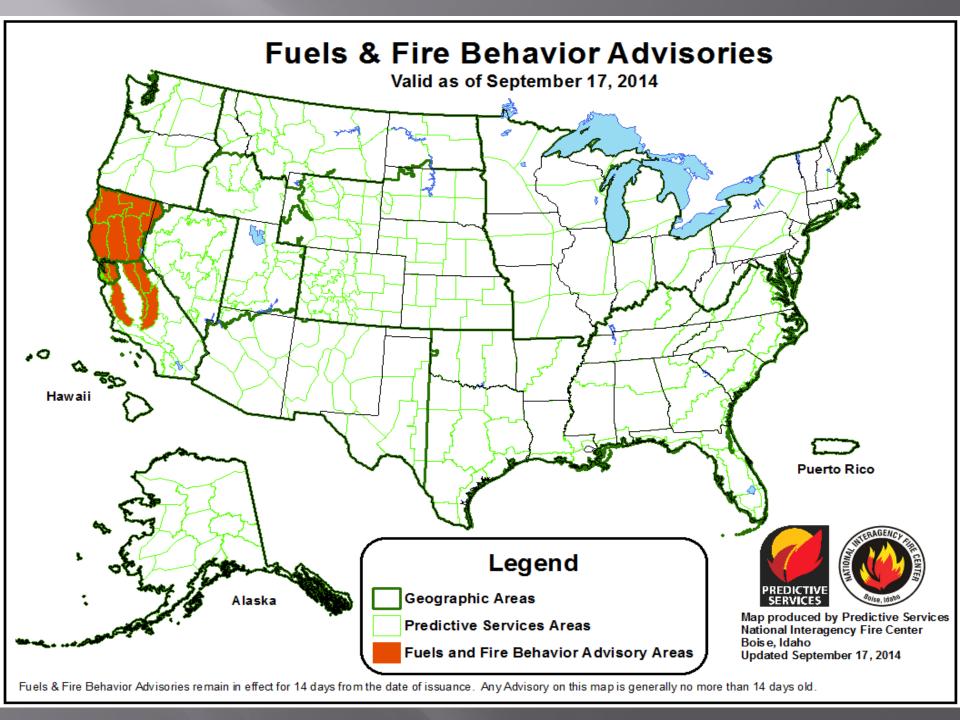
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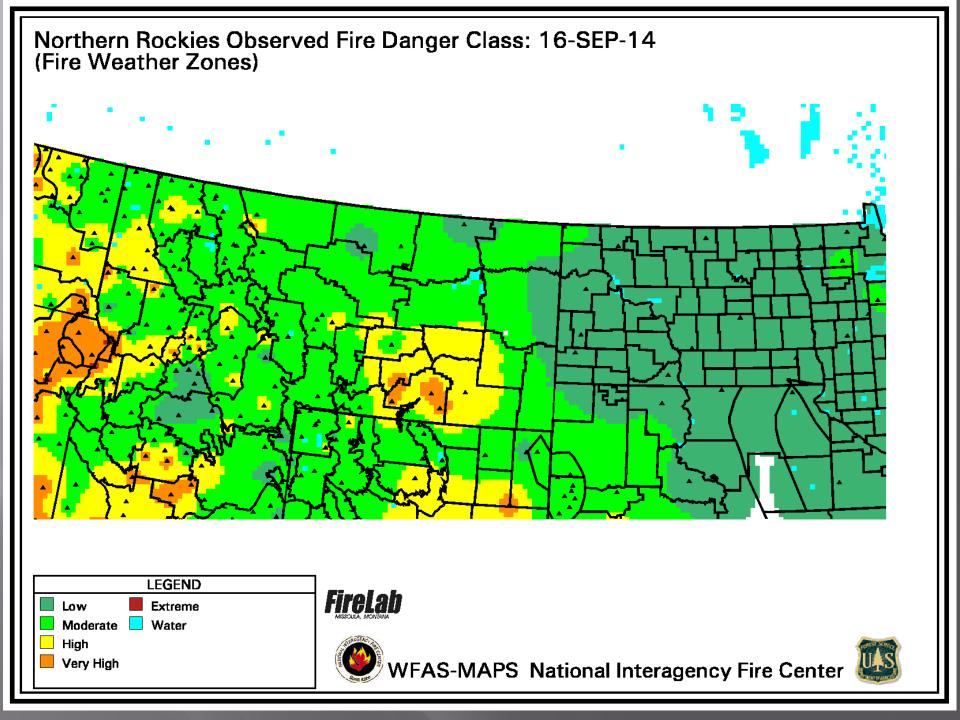
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- GLEASON
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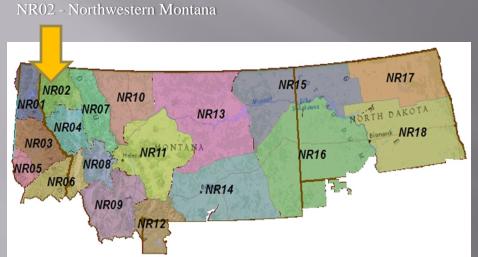
Predictive Service Area	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon
	Sep 15	Sep 16	Sep 17	Sep 18	Sep 19	Sep 20	Sep 21	Sep 2
NR01 - North ID Panhandle								
NR02 - Northwest Montana								
NR03 - South ID Panhandle								
NR04 - Western Montana								
NR05 - Camas Prairie of Idaho								
NR06 - North Central ID and								
Bitterroot/Sapphire Mountains								
NR07 - Glacier NP and								
Wilderness Areas								
NR08 - SW Montana W of								
Continental Divide								
NR09 - Big Hole-SW Montana E								
of Continental Divide								
NR10 - Northern Front Range								
NR11 - West Central Montana								
NR12 - South Central Montana &								
Yellowstone NP								
NR13 - Northern Plains & Missouri								
Breaks								
NR14 - Southern Montana (Big								
Horn / Powder River)								
NR15 - NE Montana & NW N.								
Dakota								
NR16 - SE Montana & SW N.								
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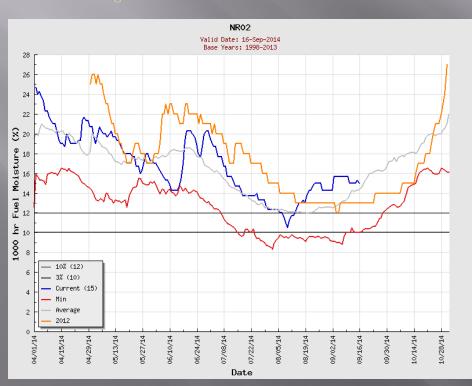
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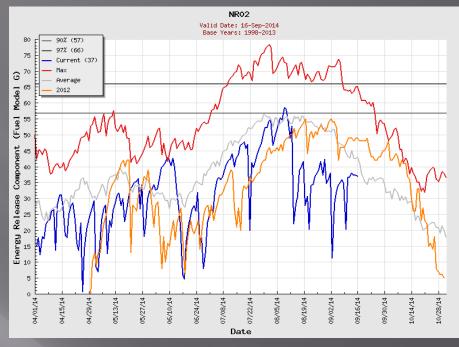


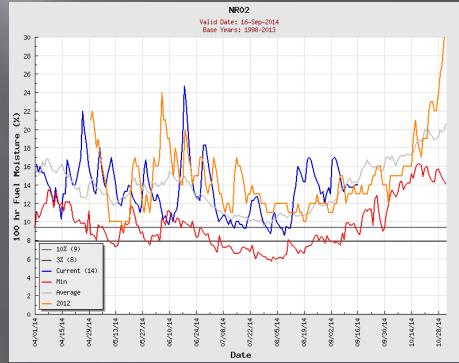


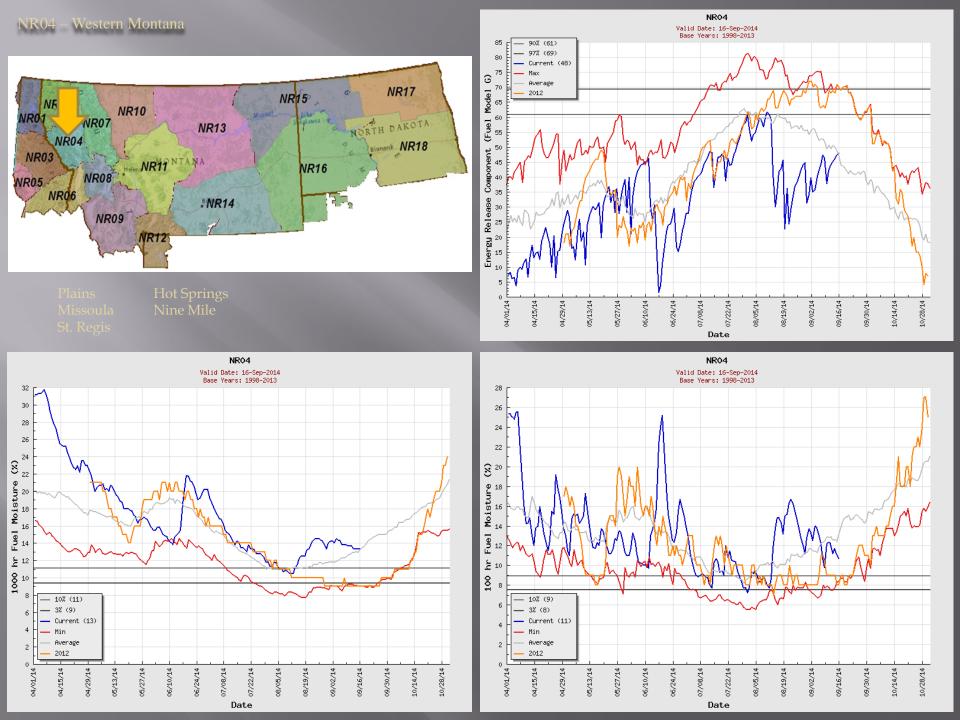


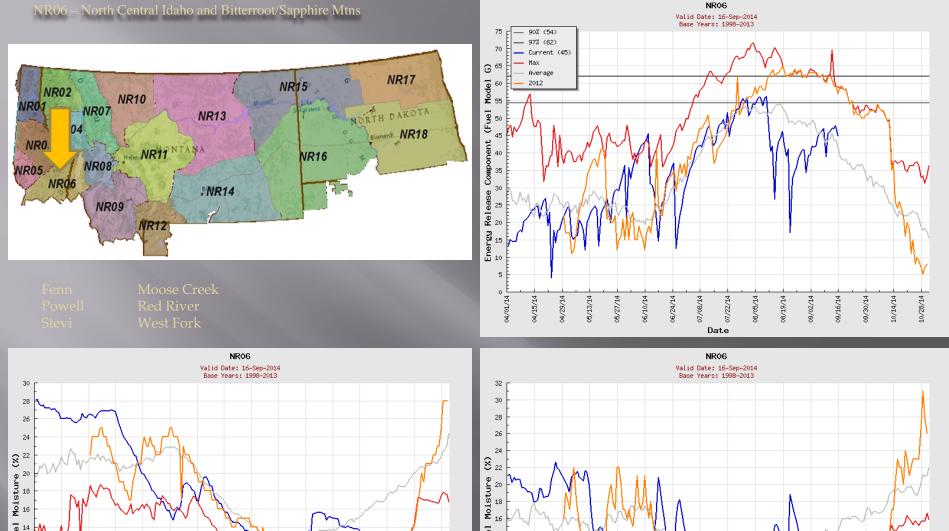
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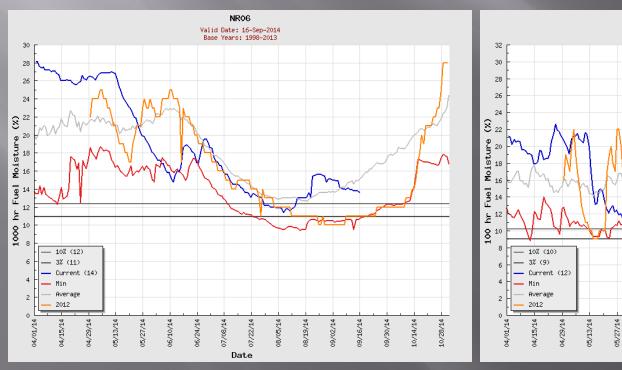


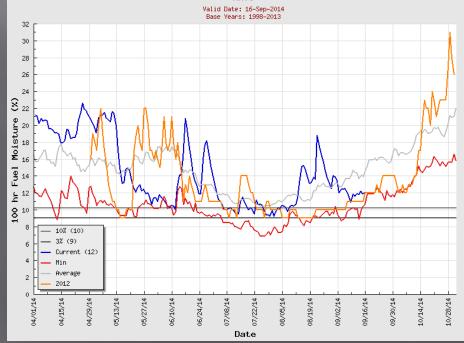


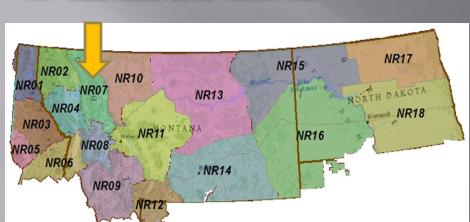








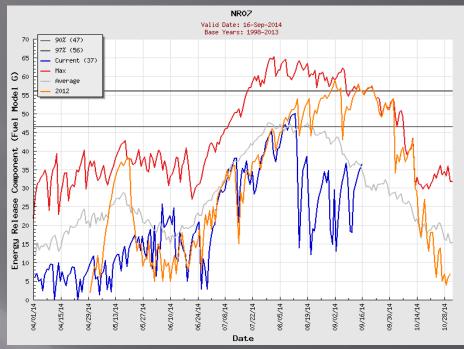


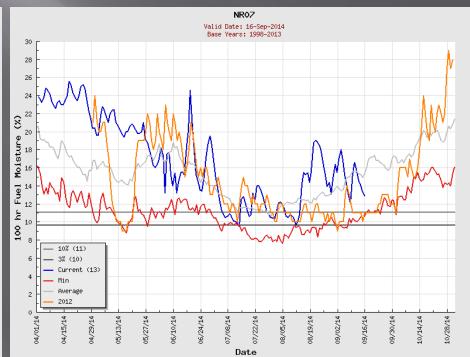


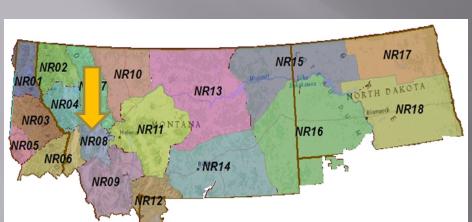
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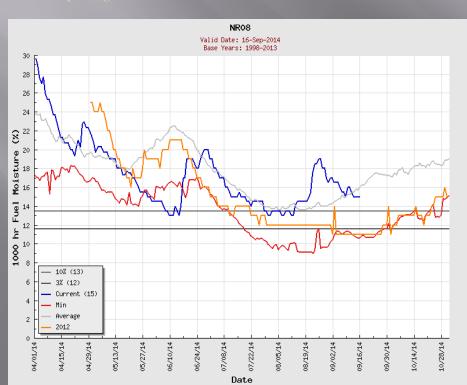


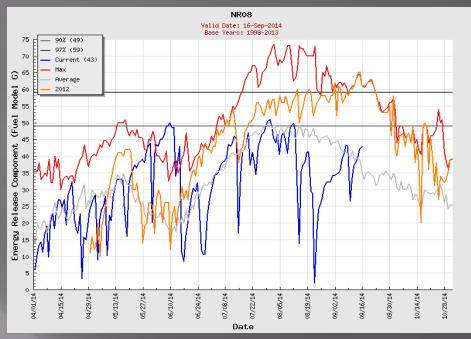


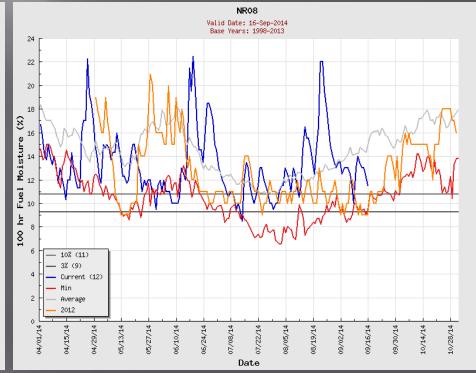


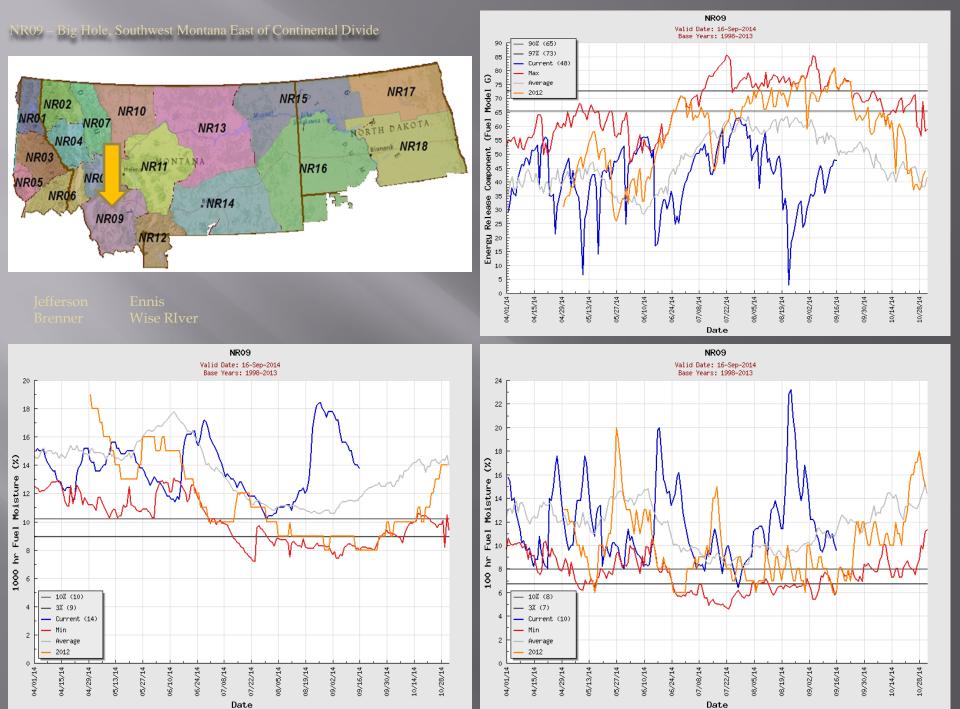
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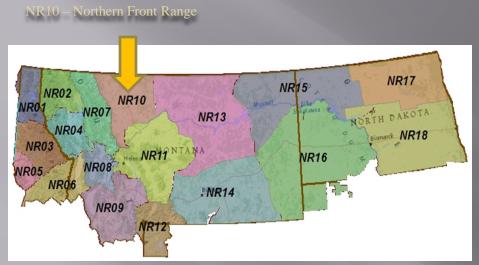
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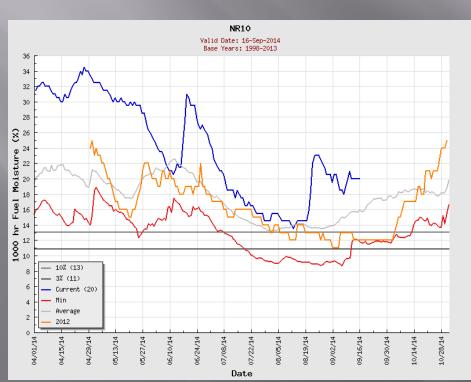


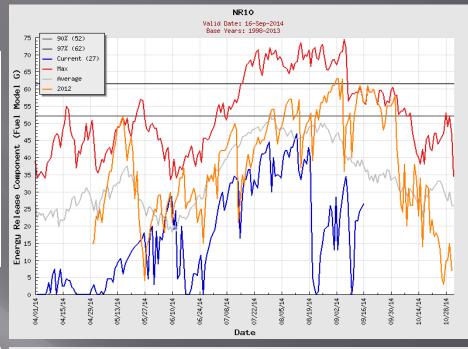


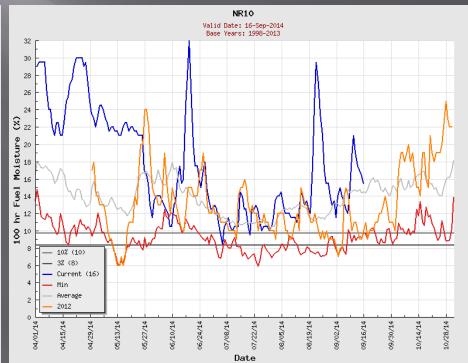


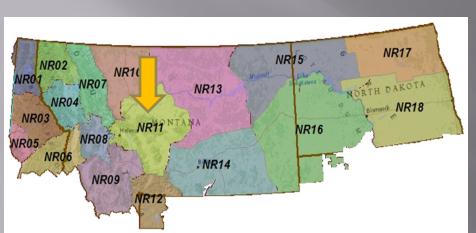


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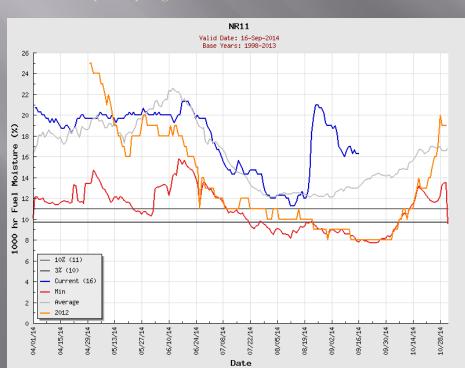


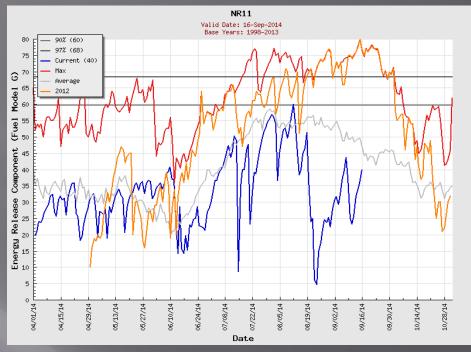


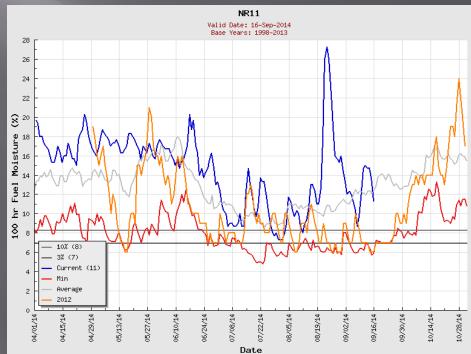


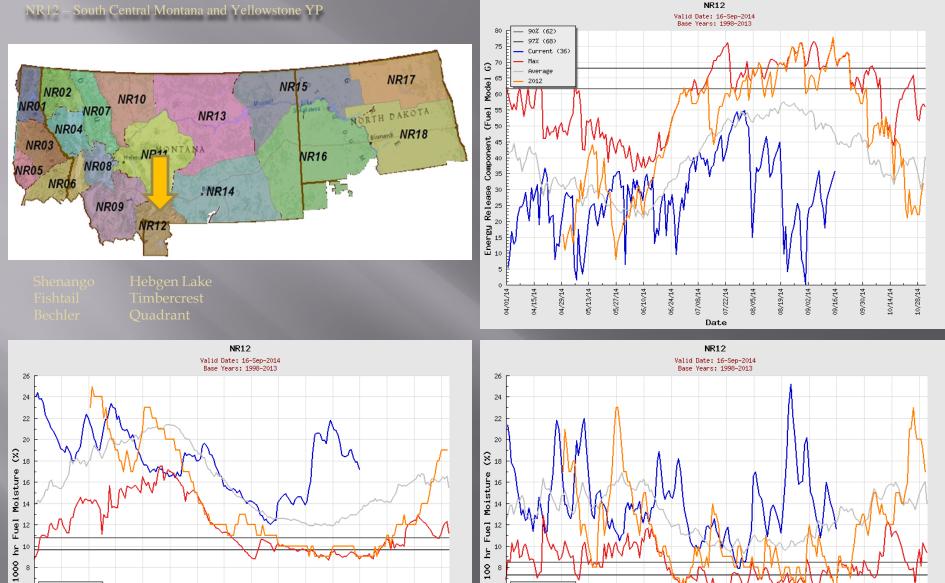


West Central Montana









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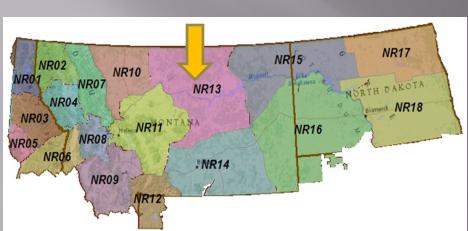
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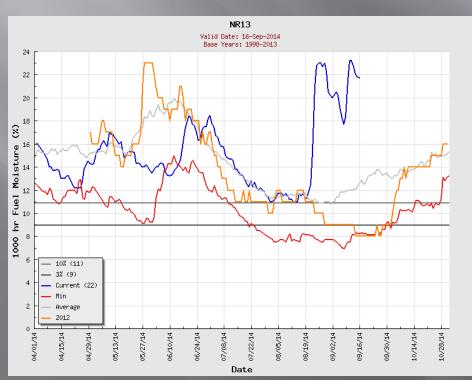
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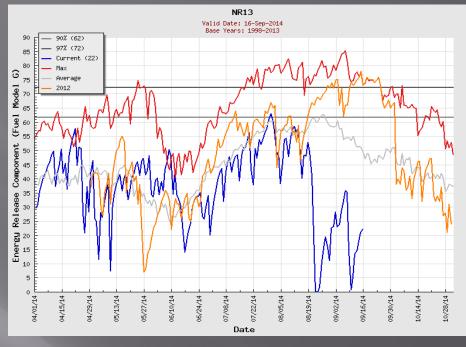


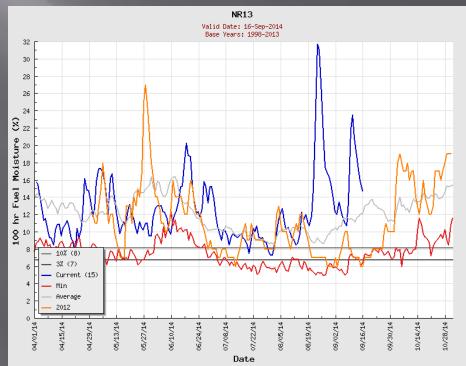


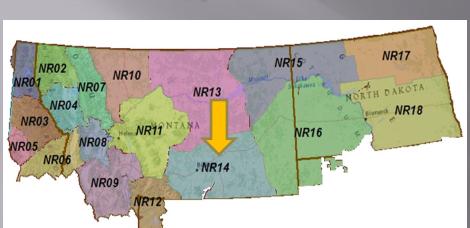
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Northern Plains and Missouri Breaks





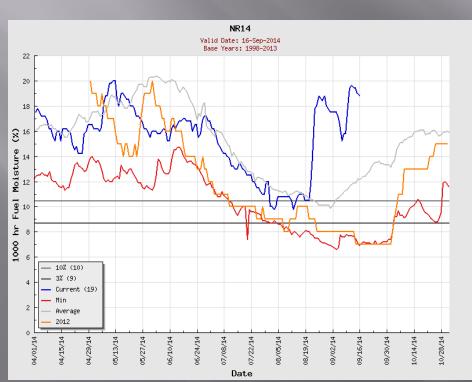


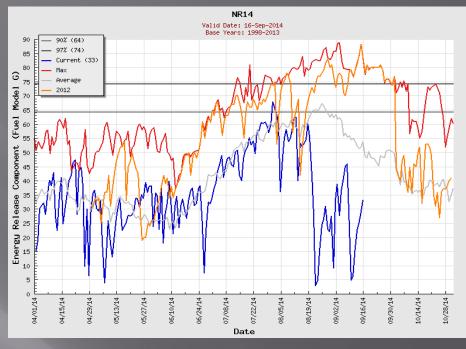


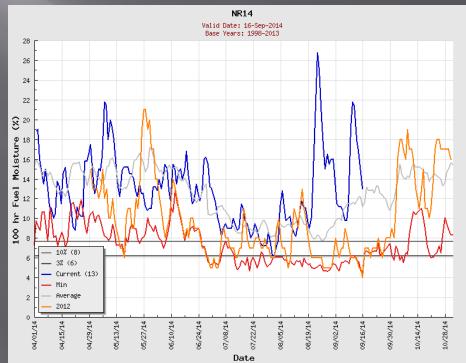
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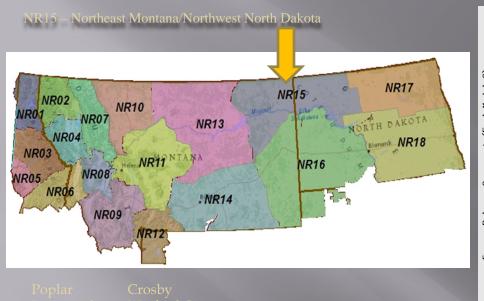
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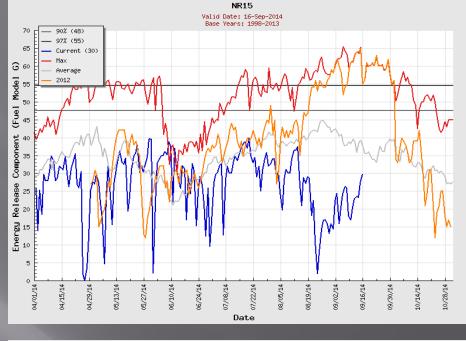
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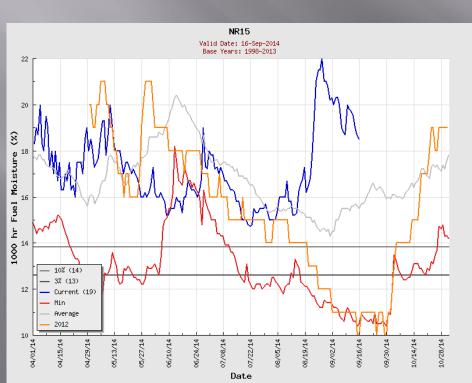


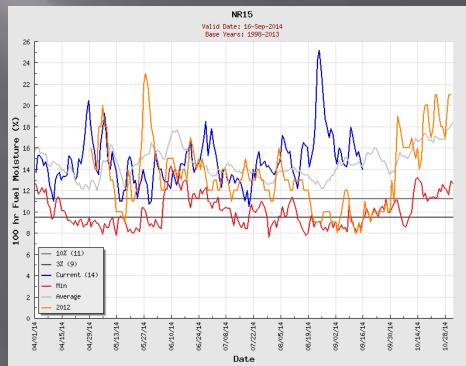


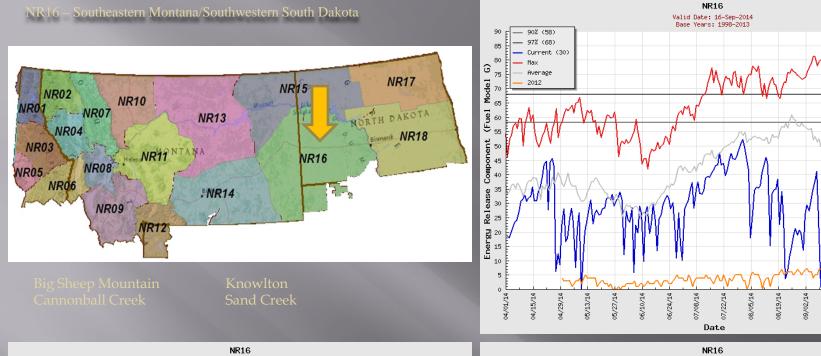


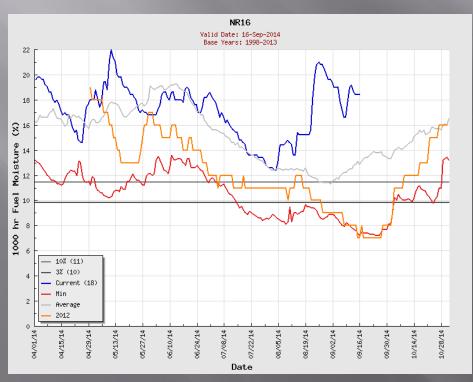


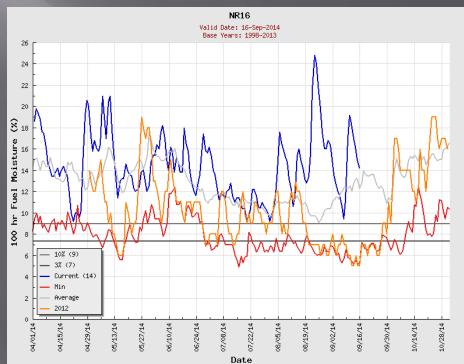




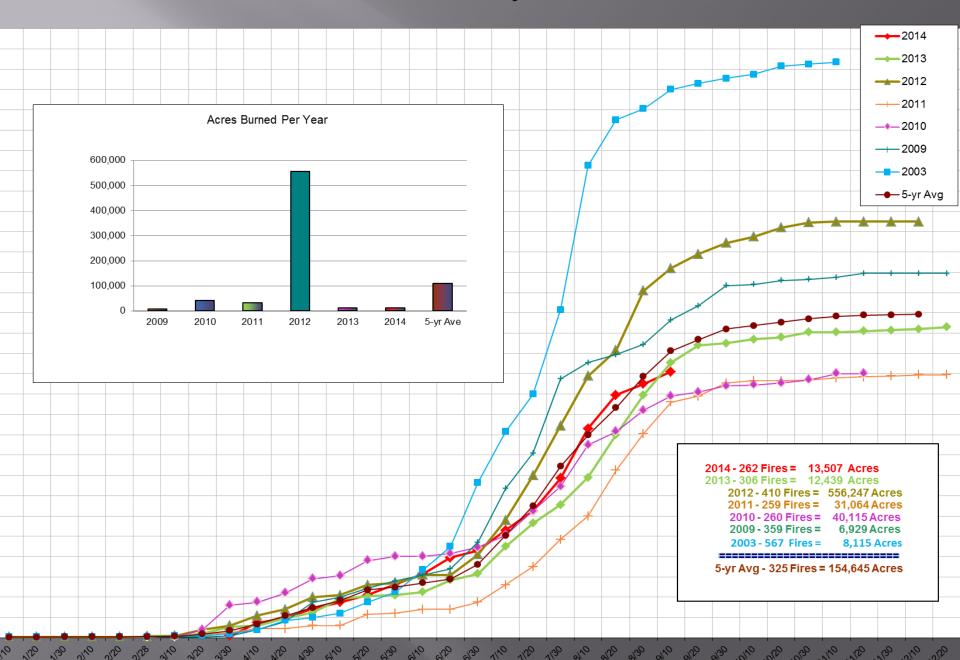








Fire Burned Summary - 2014



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2014 NORTHERN ROCKIES GEOGRAPHIC AREA LARGE WILDFIRES

The map below displays all large wildfires >100 acres reported via the National ICS-209 Program.

(currently active wildfires map)

(return to YTD & Historical page)

LEGEND



Department of the Interior

- Bureau of Indian Affairs - Bureau of Land Mgmt
- U.S. Fish & Wildlife
- National Park Service



Department of State Agencies Agriculture - Idaho Dept. of Lands

- U.S. Forest Service - Montana Dept. of Natural Resources & Conservation

- North Dakota Forest Service



Other Agencies - Dept. of Defense

- Tribes

Map Satellite Estevan Great Falls North Dakota Dickinson Bismarck Montana Billings Watertoy South Dakota Rapid City Vellowstone National Park Map data @2014 Google, INEGI Terms of Use Report a map @rror x

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10-year (2004-2013) Fires and Acres By State & Agency (Fires & Acres reported via National Interagency Situation Reporting Program)

Updated: 12/31/13

					Updated:
		WILDLAN	ID FIRE	WILDLAN	D FIRE
		10-YEAR	TOTALS	10-YEAR A	/ERAGE
		FIRES	ACRES	FIRES	ACRES
IDAHO					
Bureau of Land Management	BLM	12	24.651	1	2,465
Department of Defense	DOD	4	24,001	0	2,400
National Park Service	NPS	1	223	0	22
Other	TRIBE	197	10.033	20	1.003
Private Land	PRI	628	43,957	63	4,396
Idaho Department of Lands	IDS	1.540	45.254	154	4,525
USDA Forest Service	USFS	3,043	623,903	304	62,390
		5,425	748,021	543	74,802
MONTANA					
Bureau of Indian Affairs	BIA	4,940	615,683	494	61,568
Bureau of Land Management	BLM	959	536,123	96	53,612
MT Counties	CNTY	408	5,280	41	528
Fish & Wildlife Service	FWS	127	121,308	13	12,131
National Park Service	NPS	79	17,401	8	1,740
Private Land	PRI	1,741	727,312	174	72,731
Dept of Natural Resources &					
Conservation	MTS	2,578	448,576	258	44,858
USDA Forest Service	USFS	5,773	1,363,810	577	136,381
		16,605	3,835,493	1,661	383,549
NORTH DAKOTA					
Bureau of Indian Affairs	BIA	4.006	48.551	401	4.855
Bureau of Land Management	BLM	11	341	1	34
Fish & Wildlife Service	FWS	152	12,325	15	1,233
National Park Service	NPS	6	627	1	63
Private Land	PRI	1,417	108,449	142	10,845
North Dakota Forest Service	NDS	223	12,043	22	1,204
USDA Forest Service	USFS	149	28,714	15	2,871
		5,964	211,050	596	21,105
SOUTH DAKOTA					
Bureau of Land Management	BLM	14	2,798	1	280
Harding County	CNTY	1	4	0	0
Private Land	PRI	4	3,254	0	325
SD Wildland Fire Suppression	SDS	0	0 050	2	0
		19	6,056	2	606
WYOMING					
National Park Service	NPS	170	69,392	17	6,939
		170	69,392	17	6,939
COMBINED					
Bureau of Indian Affairs	BIA	8,946	664,234	895	66,423
Bureau of Land Management	BLM	996	563,913	100	56,391
Counties	CNTY	409	5,284	41	528
Department of Defense	DOD	4	0	0	0
Fish & Wildlife Service	FWS	279	133,633	28	13,363
National Park Service	NPS	256	87,643	26	8,764
Other	TRIBE	197	10,033	20	1,003
Private Land	PRI	3,790	882,972	379	88,297

NORTHERN ROCKIES COORDINATION CENTER

2014 Year-to-Date Fires and Acres By State & Agency

(Fires & Acres reported by land protection via National Interagency Situation Reporting Program)

Updated: 09/17/14

		Human			Lightning	WILDFIRE		
		Caused Fires	Caused Acres	Caused Fires	Caused Acres	TOTAI FIRES		
		11103	1101.03		110163			
DAHO								
Bureau of Indian Affairs	BIA	16	1,670	2	2	18	1,672	
Bureau of Land Management	BLM	0	0	0	0	0	(
Department of Defense	DOD	0	0	0	0	0	(
U.S. Forest Service	FS	30	38	228	18,487	255	18,523	
National Park Service	NPS	0	0	0	0	0	(
Private Land	PRI	0	0	0	0	0	(
Idaho Department of Lands	IDS	84 130	1,293	168 398	70,382	230 503	71,675	
		130	2,999	398	88,871	503	91,870	
IONTANA								
Bureau of Indian Affairs	BIA	263	4.382	38	1.888	301	6.270	
Bureau of Land Management	BLM	25	356	51	2,510	76	2,866	
MT Counties	C&L	315	5,128	75	4,760	390	9,888	
U.S. Forest Service	FS	160	182	247	2,146	407	2,328	
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service	FWS	3	187	2	976	5	1,163	
National Park Service	NPS	0	0	6	2	6	2	
Private Land	PRI	0	0	1	55	1	55	
Dept of Natural Resources &		138	358	114	221	250	577	
Conservation	MTS	902	10,591	534	12,558	1.436	23,149	
			10,001	004	12,000	1,100	20,140	
IORTH DAKOTA								
Bureau of Indian Affairs	BIA	333	2,548	4	4	337	2,552	
Bureau of Land Management	BLM	0	0	0	0	0	(
U.S. Forest Service	FS	6	30	2	117	8	147	
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service	FWS	1	1	1	4	2		
National Park Service	NPS	0	0	0	0	0	(
Private Land	PRI	2	33	0	0	2	33	
North Dakota Forest Service	NDS	342	2,612	7	125	349	2.737	
		342	2,012	- 4	120	343	2,131	
SOUTH DAKOTA								
Bureau of Land Management	BLM	0	0	1	1	1	1	
Harding County	C&L	0	0	0	0	0	(
Private Land	PRI	0	0	0	0	0	(
SD Wildland Fire Suppression	SDS	0	0	0	0	0	(
		0	0	1	1	1	1	
VYOMING								
National Park Service	NPS	2	1	3	2	5	3	
		2	1	3	2	5	3	
OMBINED								
COMBINED								
Bureau of Indian Affairs	BIA	612	8,600	44	1,894	656	10,494	
Bureau of Land Management	BLM	25	356	52	2,511	77	2,867	
Counties	C&L	315	5,128	75	4,760	390	9,888	
Department of Defense	DOD	100	0	477	20.750	0	20.000	
U.S. Forest Service	FS FWS	196	248 188	477 3	20,750 980	670	20,998	
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service National Park Service	NPS	4 2	188	9	980	7 11	1,168	
National Park Service Private Land	PRI	2	33	1	55	3	88	
State Agencies	ST	220	1,649	282	70.603	480	72.252	
	91	1,376	16,203	943	10,000	2,294	12,202	

NORTHERN ROCKIES COORDINATION CENTER

2014 NRGA Year-to-Date Large Wildland Fires > 100 acres By State

(As reported via the National ICS-209 Program)

Updated: 09/17/14

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					Start	End**					Estimated	Structures	Incident
Wildland Fire	Kind*	Disp	Agency	Unit	Date	Date	Latitude	Longitude	Cause***	Acres	Costs	Destroyed	Commander(s)
1 South Storm	MON	GVC	USFS	NCF	07/23/14		46 31 10N	114 24 03W	L	350	\$5,800	0	Young
2 Dolph	MON	GVC	FS	NCF	07/24/14		46 17 00N	114 41 50W	L	240	\$23,000	0	Young
3 Central Grade	FSPC	GVC	BIA	NPT	07/26/14	07/28/14	46 27 41N	116 54 13W	Н	1,628	\$200,000	0	Rogers
4 Bruin	MON	GVC	USFS	NCF	08/01/14		48 45 51N	114 54 26W	L	240	\$23,000	0	Lubke
5 Big Cougar	FSPC	GVC	IDS	CMS	08/02/14	08/14/14	45 59 33N	116 49 51W	L	65,227	\$4,500,000	9	Pearson(T2)
6 Upper Mica Complex	FSPC	CDC	IDS	SJS	08/03/14	08/13/14	47 12 32N	116 11 45W	L	265	\$3,100,000	0	Benes(T2)
7 High Range	FSPC	GVC	IDS	CMS	08/03/14	08/12/14	45 45 06N	116 29 46W	L	4,748	\$2,958,608	3	Fry(T2)
8 Rain	MON/PZP	GVC	USFS	NCF	08/03/14		45 35 00N	115 10 26W	L	4,059	\$463,000	0	Lundgren
9 Johnson Bar	FSPC	GVC	USFS	NCF	08/03/14		46 05 12N	115 33 41W	L	8,867	\$10,300,000	0	Young
10 Cifford	FSPC	GVC	IDS	CMS	08/06/14	08/08/14	48 29 29N	116 51 30W	Н	630	\$15,000	0	Handel
11 Myers	MON	GVC	USFS	NCF	08/08/14		45 38 00N	115 15 00W	L	2,001	\$25,000	0	Lundgren
12 Eagle Rock	MON	GVC	USFS	NCF	08/09/14		46 00 14N	114 50 43W	L	390	\$8,000	0	District
13 Prong	MON	GVC	USFS	NCF	08/09/14	09/04/14	45 49 05N	115 05 55W	L	144	\$5,000	0	McLeod
14 Elevator Mountain (part	MON	GVC	USFS	NCF	08/09/14		45 58 16N	114 49 05W	L	0	\$0	0	Demoss
of Selway Complex on 15 Elk Ridge	MON	GVC	USFS	NCF	08/12/14		46 06 09N	114 39 03W	L	150	\$1,500	0	District

NR IDAHO WILDLAND FIRES >100 ACRES 88,939 \$21,625,908 12

MONTANA

	Wildland Fire	Kind*	Disp	Agency	Unit	Start Date	End** Date	Latitude	Longitude	Cause***	Acres	Estimated Costs	Structures Destroyed	
	Spearsiding	MON	BDC	BIA	CRA	04/22/14	04/25/14	45 08 40N	107 23 32W	U	111	\$15,000	0	Herrera
2	PK	FSPC	LEC	CNTY	LG55	05/28/14	05/31/14	47 18 37N	108 18 43W	L	814	\$45,380	0	Snellman, Snyder
3	Olin	FSPC	LED	BLM	LED	06/20/14	08/23/14	47 21 17N	107 59 32W	U	1,204	\$94,000	0	Snellman
4	Rag Horn	FSPC	MCD	FWS	CMR	07/07/14	07/09/14	47 28 04N	107 47 49W	L	189	\$110,000	0	Bloxham, Forsythe
5	SeePay	CON	MDC	BIA	FHA	07/17/14		47 16 18N	114 35 48W	L	1,158	\$2,500,000	0	McCrea
6	Lodge Grass Basin	MON	BDC	BIA	CRA	07/22/14		45 01 16N	107 44 38W	U	167	\$200,000	0	Herrera
7	Montgomery	FSPC	MCC	BLM	MCD	07/24/14	07/26/14	46 34 20N	108 35 27W	U	8,500	\$90,470	0	Harding, Dresbach
8	Calf	FSPC	MCC	BLM	MCD	07/24/14	07/26/14	47 06 45N	107 47 08W	L	1,360	\$184,330	0	Brooks, Blankenship
9	Ridgeway	FSPC	MCC	BLM	MCD	07/24/14	07/26/14	45 25 18N	104 23 43W	L	548	\$30,000	0	Erickson
10	45	FSPC	BDC	MTS	SOS	07/26/14	07/28/14	46 13 51N	107 24 59W	U	780	\$100,000	0	Johnson
11	Lozeau	FSPC	MDC	BIA	FHA	08/01/14	8/6/2014	47 52 06N	114 39 21W	L	257	\$140,000	0	Morigeau
12	Thompson River	FSPC/CON	MDC	USFS	LNF	08/03/14		41 41 36N	115 13 00W	L	1,646	\$8,230,272	0	Kusiko(T2)
13	Flood	FSPC	MCC	BLM	MCD	08/07/14	8/9/2014	45 08 54N	105 54 18W	L	103	\$100,000	0	McKinney
14	Rubaboo	FSPC	GDC	BIA	FBA	08/11/14	8/12/2014	48 04 03N	108 44 21W	H	435	\$35,000	0	Morin
15	Blazier	FSPC	GDC	PRI	PRI	08/12/14	8/13/2014	46 57 03N	107 01 59W	Н	614	\$55,000	0	Hageman/Bloxham
16	Blakslee	FSPC	LEC	BLM	LED	08/19/14	8/21/2014	47 06 38N	108 46 39W	U	1,033	\$86,440	0	Wald
17	Log Gulch	FSPC	HDC	MTS	CES	08/20/14	8/22/2014	46 57 58N	111 58 12W	H	215	\$265,000	0	Hamilton
18	Selway Complex	MON/PZP	BRC	USFS	BRF	08/31/14		45 45 56N	114 47 31W	L	1,659	\$168,130	0	Taylor

NORTH DAKOTA

Wildland Fire	Kind*	Disp	Agency	Unit	Start Date	End** Date	Latitude	Longitude	Cause***	Acres	Estimated Costs	Structures Destroyed	
1 Oberon	FSPC	NDC	BIA	FTA	05/15/14	05/16/14	47 54 48N	99 07 37W	Н	640		0	Snow
NORTH DAKOTA WILDLAND FIRES >100 ACRES 640 50 0													

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, WY

ı						Start	End**					Estimated	Structures	Incident
ı	Wildland Fire	Kind*	Disp	Agency	Unit	Date	Date	Latitude	Longitude	Cause***	Acres	Costs	Destroyed	Commander(s)
	4													

YELLOWSTONE NP, WY WILDLAND FIRES >100 ACRES

MONTANA WILDLAND FIRES >100 ACRES 20,791 \$12,449,022 0

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA

Costs Destroyed

Estimated Structures

2014 NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA WILDLAND FIRES >100 ACRES 110,370 \$34,074,930 12

FSPC = Full Suppression Strategy (Perimeter Control)

(i.e. Contain, Control, Out or Final ICS-209 submitted) *** = CAUSES

Montana Department of Natural Resources & Conservation

http://www.dnrc.mt.gov/Forestry/Fire/Default.asp

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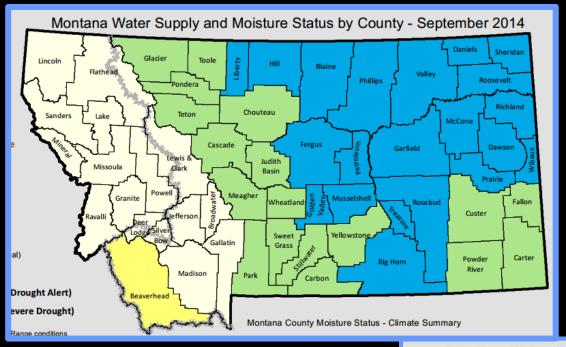
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Montana Drought and Water Supply Status by County

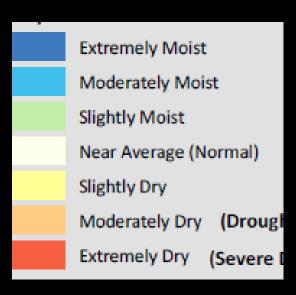
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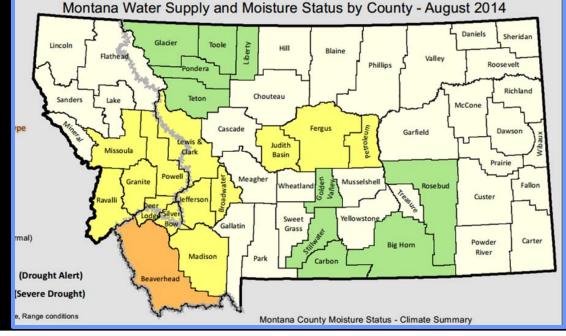
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Beaverhead Big Horn Broadwater Carter Cascade Chouteau	Madison Meagher Missoula Park Powder River Powell	Blaine (+2) Daniels (+2) Dawson (+2) Garfield (+2) Hill (+2) Judith Basin (+2)	Fergus (+3) Petroleum (+3)	Carbon Flathead Gallatin Glacier Lake Lincoln
Custer Deer Lodge Fallon	Ravalli Rosebud Silver Bow	McCone (+2) Musselshell (+2) Phillips (+2)	,	Mineral Pondera Sanders
Golden Valley Granite Jefferson	Sweetgrass Wheatland Yellowstone	Prairie (+2) Richland (+2) Roosevelt (+2)		Stillwater Teton Toole
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Montana Drought Status September 2014 vs. August 2014





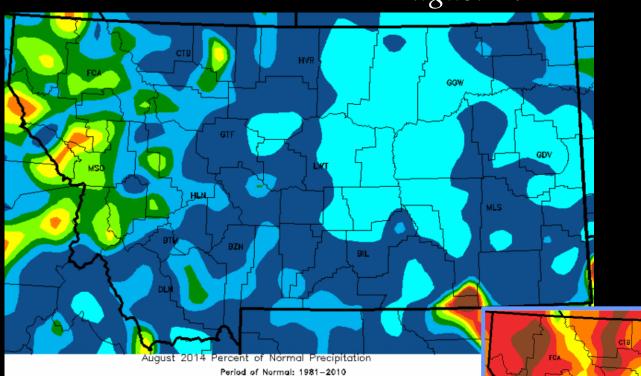






Percent of Normal Precipitation

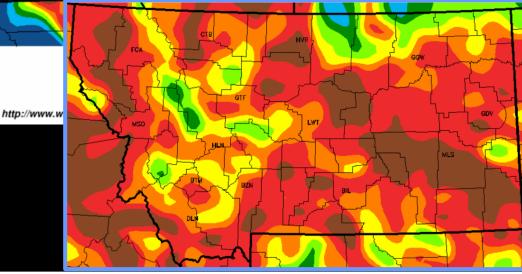
August 2014



115 150 200 400

- Most of Montana well above normal
- Isolated areas near to slightly below normal

July 2014



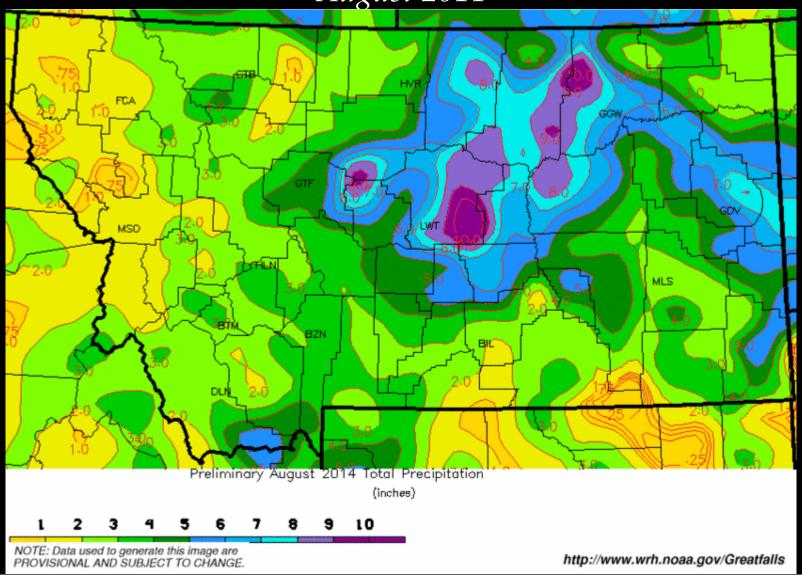


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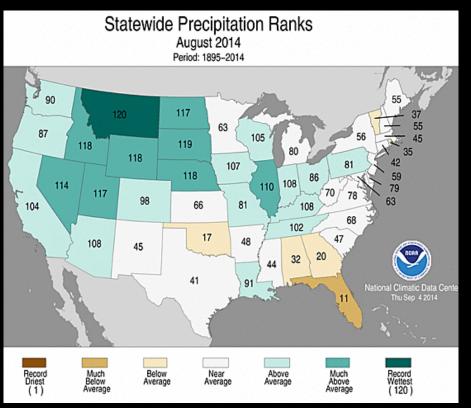
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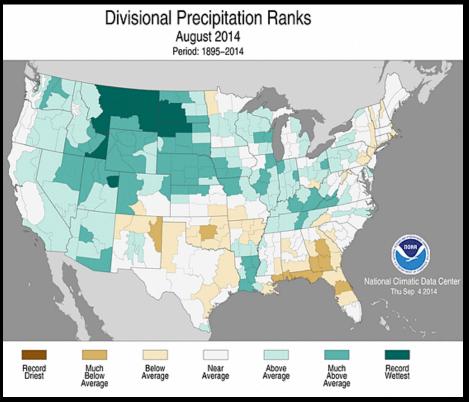




August Precipitation Ranking

Statewide and Divisional





Nearly 50 locations set new August precipitation records.

Highest amount was 12.75 inches at Grass Range.

August averaged 3.72 inches - 2.42 inches above normal and highest August value of record.

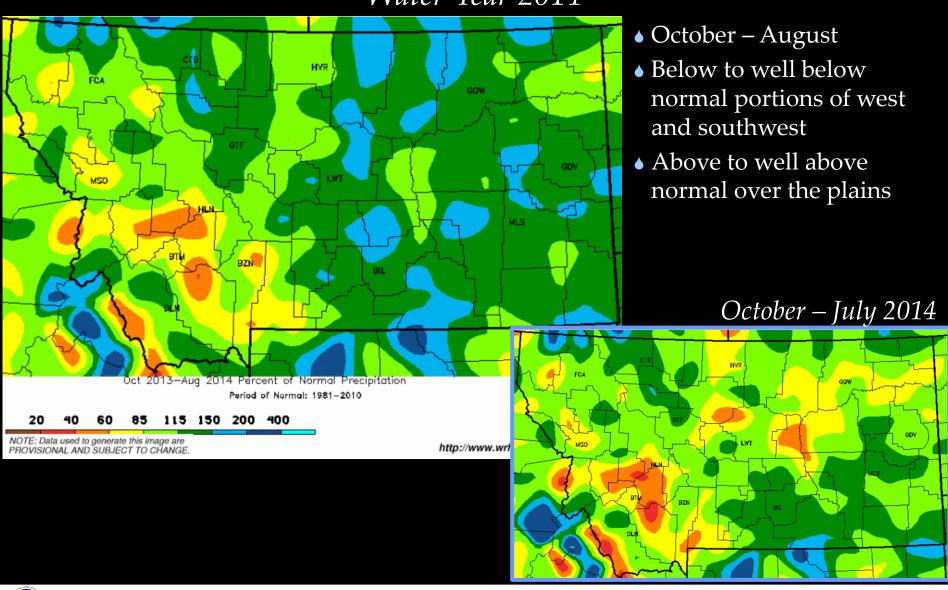
The old record was 2.84 inches in 1933.

Statewide composite precipitation for the past 12 months is 3.38 inches above normal.



Percent of Normal Precipitation

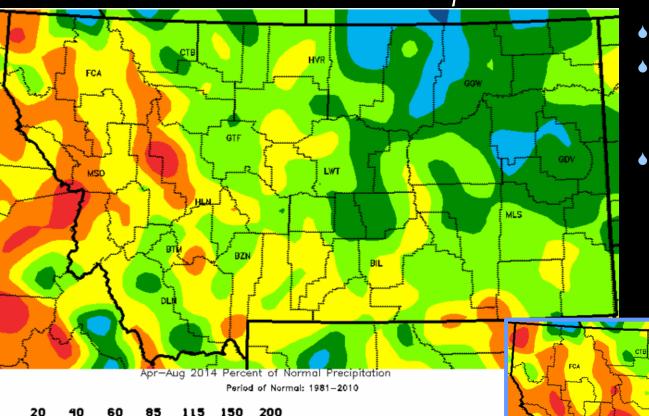
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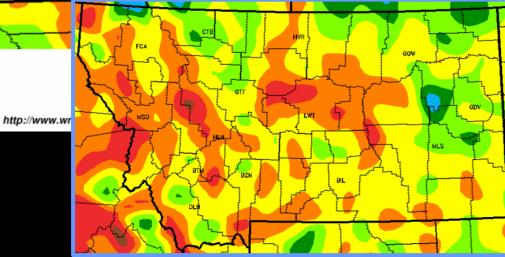
Percent of Normal Precipitation

Crop Year



- April August
- Below to well below normal west, southwest, south central
- Near to well above normal north, central, southeast

April – July 2014



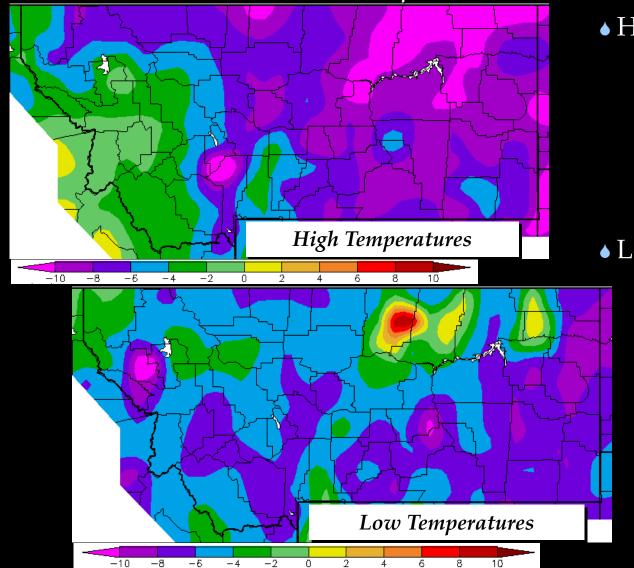


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Temperature Anomalies

September 1 - 16



Highs

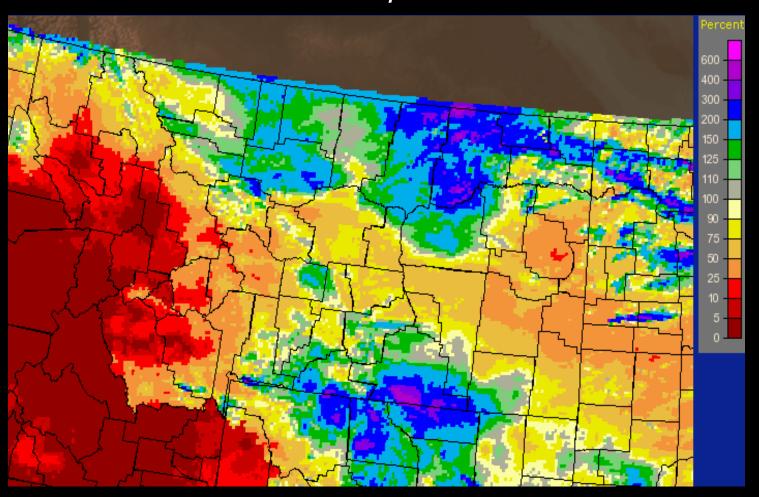
- Near normal to 8 degrees
 below normal west and
 southwest
- -6 to 12 degrees below normal north, central, and east

• Lows

-4 to 8 degrees belownormal most of the state



Percent of Average Precipitation September 1 - 16

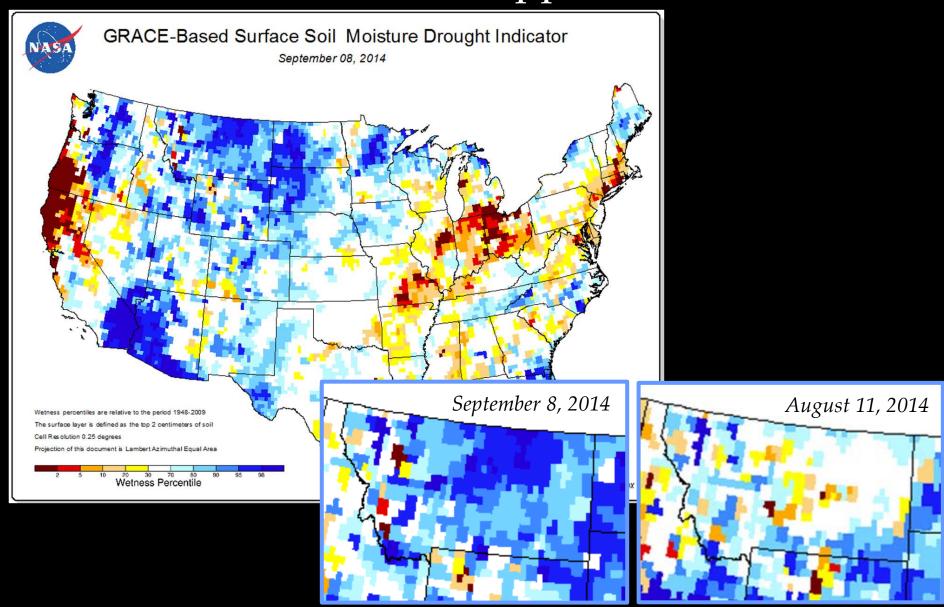


- Below to well below normal west, southwest, and east
- Above to well above normal north, northeast, and south central





Soil Moisture – Upper 1 Meter

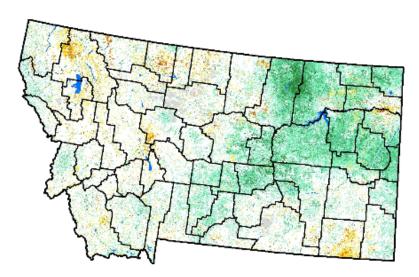




VegDRI Trends

Large areas Unusually to Very Moist

Vegetation Drought Response Index Complete: Montana



September 8, 2014



Severe Drought

Moderate Drought

Pre-Drought

Near Normal

Unusually Moist

Very Moist

Extremely Moist

Out of Season

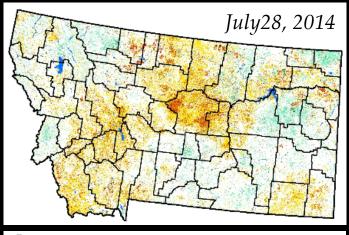
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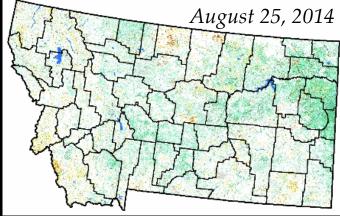


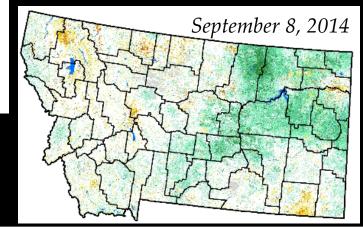






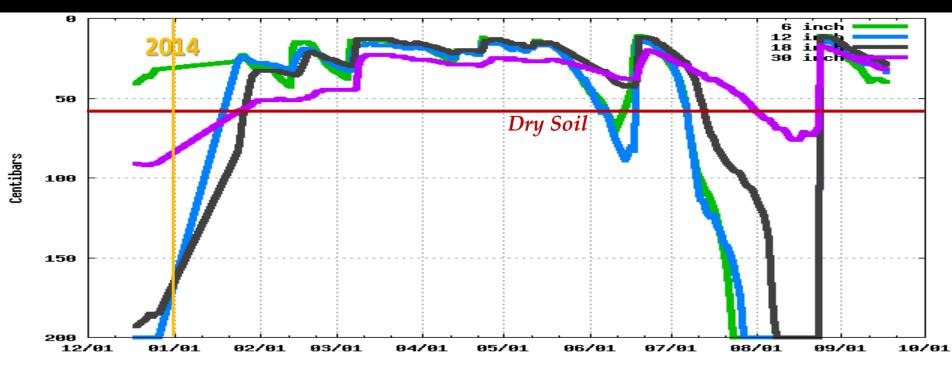


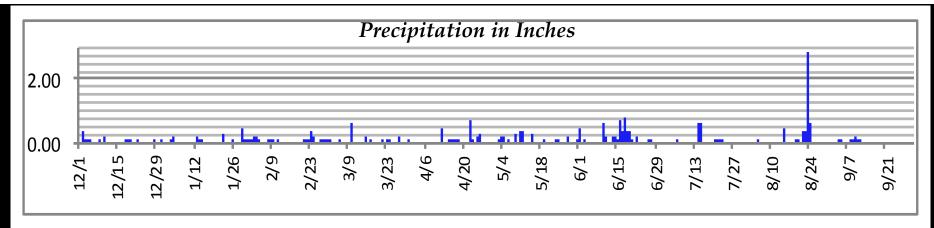






Great Falls Soil Moisture





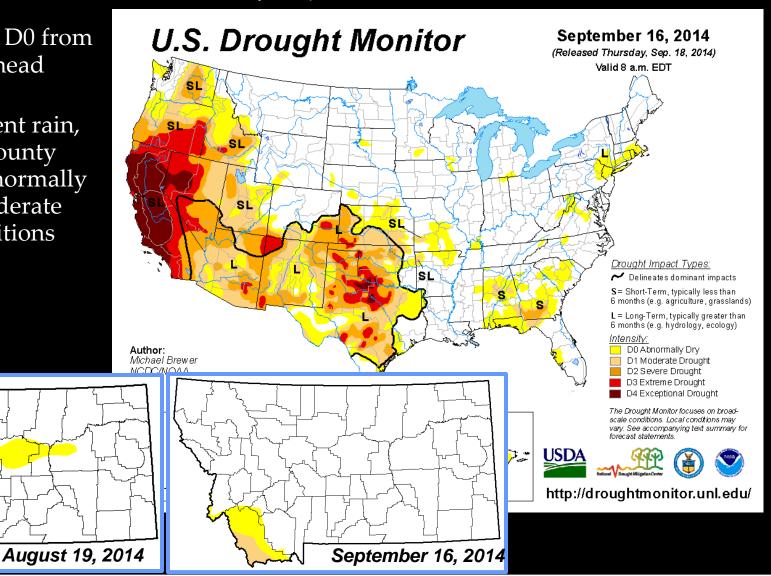


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National Drought Monitor

Conditions as of September 16, 2014

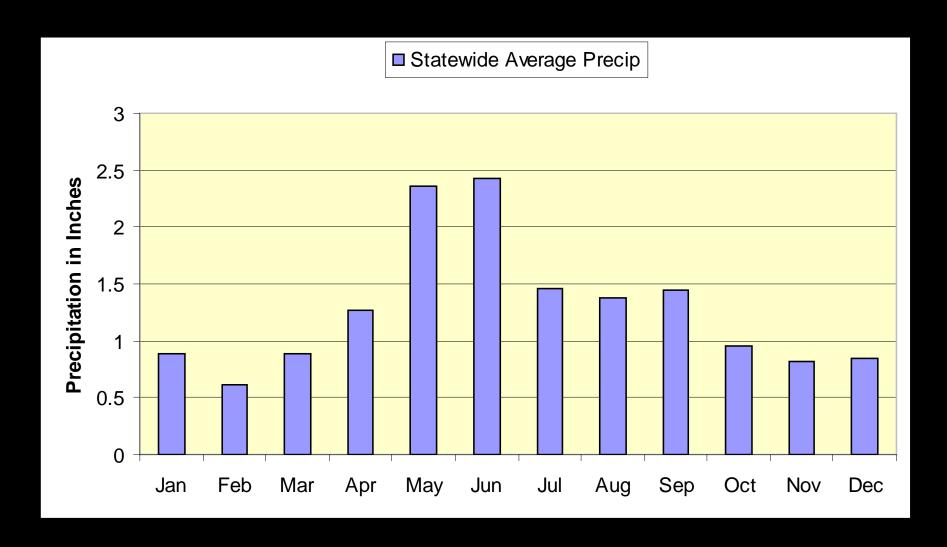
- Elimination of D0 from all but Beaverhead County
- Even with recent rain, Beaverhead County seeing D0/Abnormally Dry to D1/Moderate Drought conditions





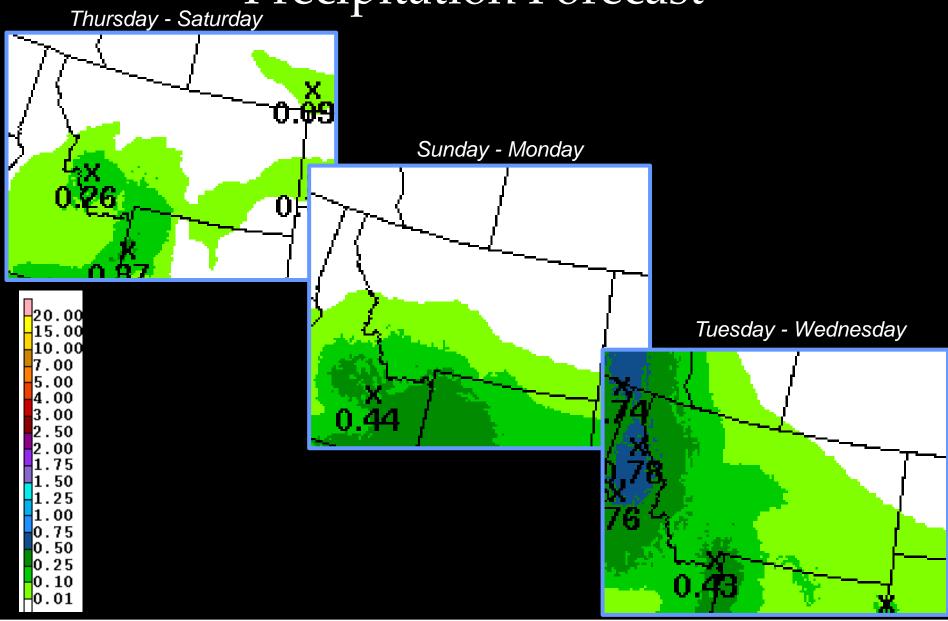
Statewide Average Precipitation

September last month of 'summer regime' before drier autumn and winter months





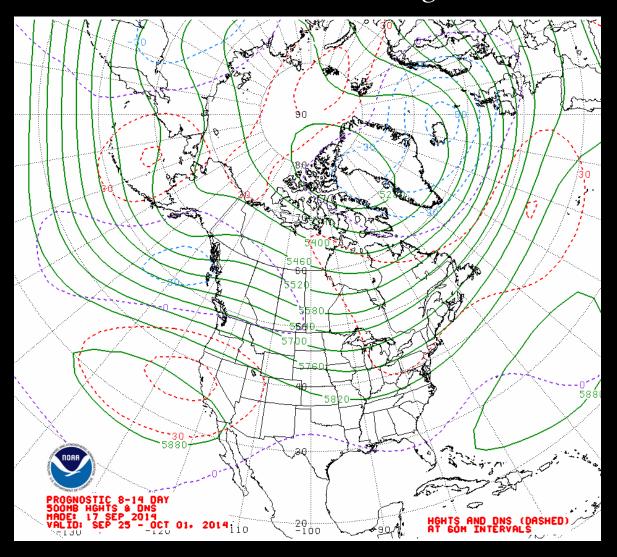
Precipitation Forecast





8 to 14 Day Outlook

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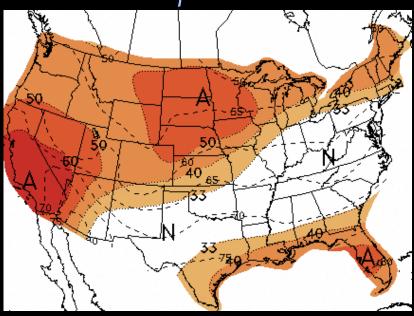


- September 25 October 1
- Westerly flow into western U.S.

8 to 14 Day Outlook

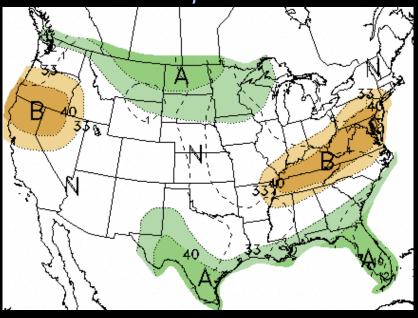
September 25 – October 1

Temperature



◆ 40% to 60% chance temperatures will be above normal across Montana

Precipitation

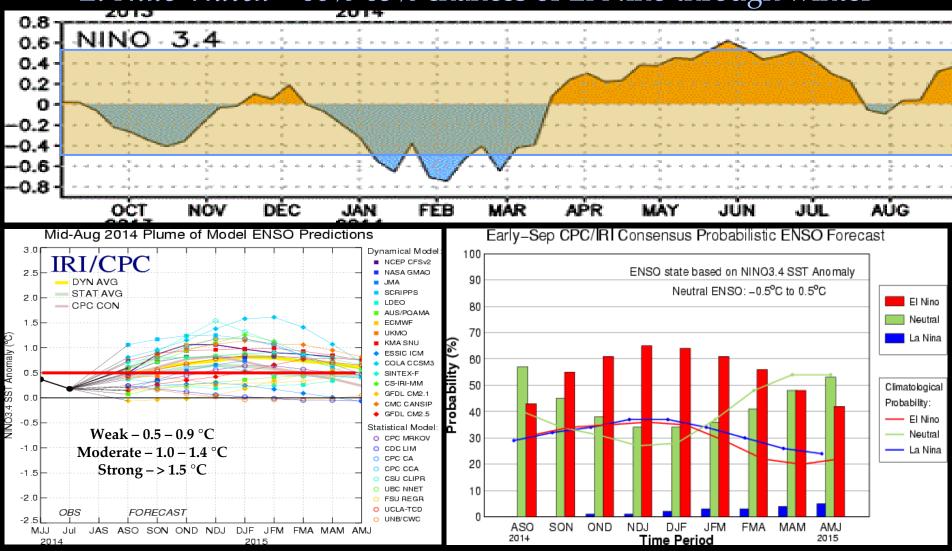


• 33% to 50% chance precipitation will be above normal across most of Montana



El Niño / La Niña

El Niño Watch – 60%-65% chances of El Niño through winter

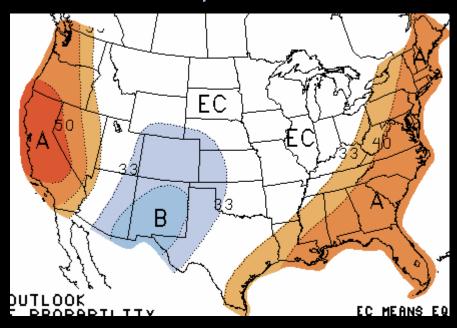




October Outlook

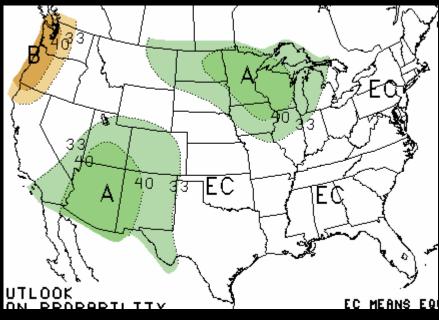
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Temperature



• Equal chances temperatures will be above, below or near normal across Montana

Precipitation

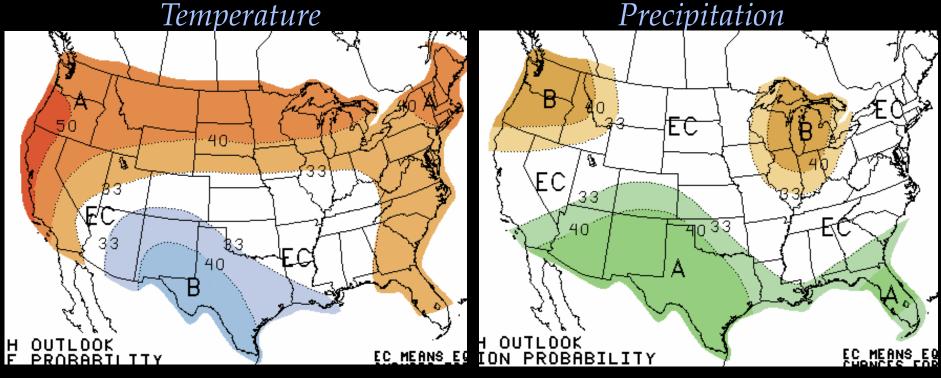


- 33% to 40% chance precipitation will be above normal northeast and east
- Equal chances precipitation will be above, below or near normal remainder of Montana



November – January Outlook

Updated September 18

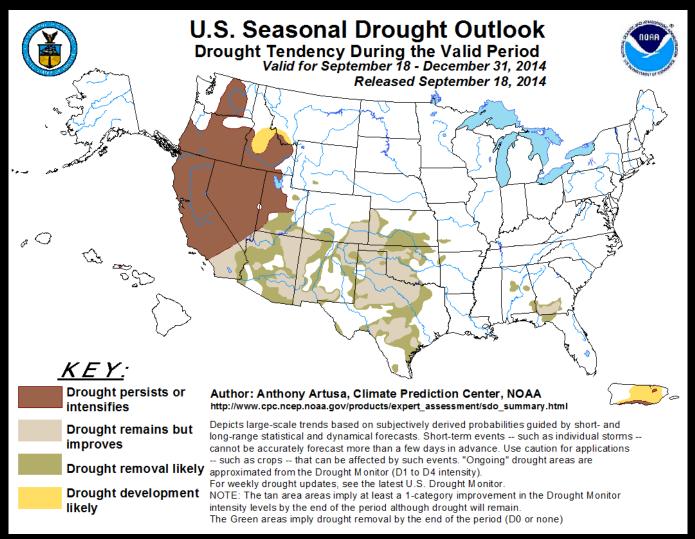


- 40% to 50% chance temperatures will be above normal across Montana
- 33% to 50% chance precipitation will be below normal west and southwest
- Equal chances precipitation will be above, below or near normal central and east Montana



Drought Outlook through December

Issued September 18



 Drought area in far southwest Montana expected to persist/intensify

In Summary...

- Well(!) above normal precipitation in August
 - Much of north central, central, and eastern Montana received over 4 inches
 - Widespread flooding
- September bringing higher percent of normal precipitation north and south central
 - Already seeing some snow from mountains out onto the plains
- Still better chances for the development of El Niño conditions
 - May be a weak rather than moderate or strong event
- Climate Outlook for October shows equal chances for above, below, or near normal precipitation across most of Montana.
 - Better chances for above normal precipitation northeast and east
- November through December Outlook shows better chances for below normal precipitation west and southwest
 - Equal chances central and east



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Crop Weather Report Week Ending September 14, 2014

- > Early Winter Storm during the week
 - Scattered rain showers in the valleys
 - Scattered snow showers in the higher elevations
- ➤ Topsoil moisture conditions at 87 percent adequate and surplus
 - Above last year's 69 percent and the five-year average of 44 percent
- Subsoil moisture conditions at 85 percent adequate and surplus
 - Above last year's 61 percent and the five-year average of 47 percent



Topsoil Moisture Week Ending September 14, 2014

	This week	Last week	Last year	5-yr Avg.
Very short	2%	2%	8%	22%
Short	11%	11%	23%	34%
Adequate	72%	70%	62%	39%
Surplus	15%	17%	7%	5%



Subsoil Moisture Week Ending September 14, 2014

	This week	Last week	Last year	5-yr Avg.
Very short	3%	3%	12%	20%
Short	12%	13%	27%	33%
Adequate	73%	73%	56%	45%
Surplus	12%	11%	5%	2%

Spring Wheat					
harvested	73%	66%	82%	77%	
Durum Wheat					
harvested	38%	29%	39%	60%	

	This week	Last week	Last year	5-yr Avg.
Barley				
harvested	93%	89%	98%	84%
Oats				
harvested	89%	85%	90%	89%

	This week	Last week	Last year	5-yr Avg.
Dry Peas				
harvested	94%	90%	96%	97%
Lentils				
harvested	86%	84%	80%	92%

	This Last week		Last year	5-yr Avg.
Potatoes				
harvested	2%	na	12%	13%
Corn for Silage				
harvested	29%	8%	22%	23%

Durum Wheat Crop Condition Week Ending September 14, 2014

	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
This week	8%	14%	33%	44%	1%
Last week	5%	11%	34%	49%	1%
Last year	15%	17%	47%	19%	2%
5-yr Avg.	na	na	na	na	na

Potatoes Crop Condition Week Ending September 14, 2014

	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
This week	0%	0%	5%	73%	22%
Last week	0%	0%	5%	73%	22%
Last year	13%	12%	19%	29%	27%
5-yr Avg.	na	na	na	na	Na

Corn Crop Condition Week Ending September 14, 2014

	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
This week	0%	3%	30%	51%	16%
Last week	0%	3%	30%	52%	15%
Last year	3%	5%	35%	37%	20%
5-yr Avg.	2%	5%	30%	47%	16%



Sugar Beets Crop Condition Week Ending September 14, 2014

	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
This week	1%	1%	15%	43%	40%
Last week	1%	1%	12%	46%	40%
Last year	0%	9%	33%	43%	15%
5-yr Avg.	2%	7%	28%	44%	19%

Winter Wheat Seeding Week Ending September 14, 2014

	This week	Last week	Last year	5-yr Avg.
Winter Wheat				
seeded	23%	3%	19%	16%

Hay – Second Cutting Week Ending September 14, 2014

	This week	Last week	Last year	5-yr Avg.
Alfalfa Hay 2 nd Cutting	91%	87%	91%	91%
Other Hay				
2 nd Cutting	75%	66%	84%	82%

Movement from Summer Ranges Week Ending September 14, 2014

	This week	Last week	Last year	5-yr Avg.
Cattle & Calves				
Moved	17%	4%	20%	22%
Sheep & Lambs				
Moved	23%	11%	27%	27%

Range & Pasture Feed Condition Week Ending September 14, 2014

	Very poor- poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
This				
week	16%	32%	38%	14%
Last				
week	17%	33%	37%	13%
Last year	20%	34%	39%	7%
5-yr Avg.	31%	33%	29%	7%

Summary Week Ending September 14, 2014

- Harvest of most spring small grains nearing completion
 - A great deal of wheat and barley crops experienced weather related damage
 - Durum wheat harvest lagging behind, due to recent storms in northeast part of the state
 - Early Winter storm halted harvest and killed some immature crops
- Winter wheat seeding for 2014 crop
 - Ahead of last year and the five-year average

Releases

- September Hog report will be released September 26, 2014
- Small Grains Summary and September Grain Stocks will be released September 30, 2014

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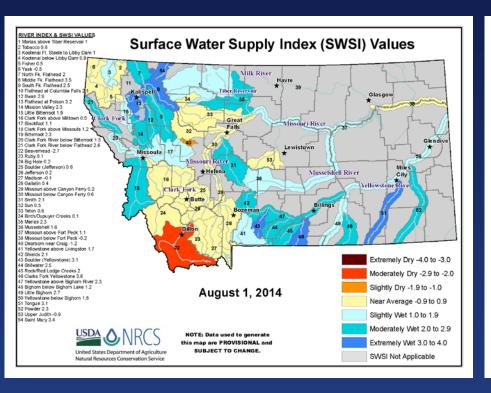
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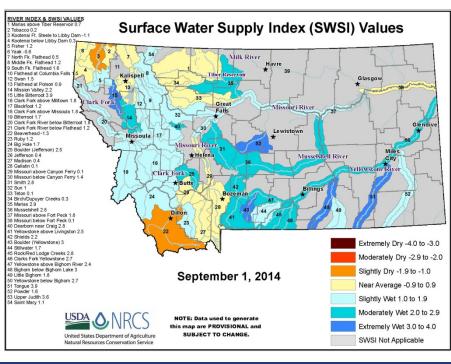
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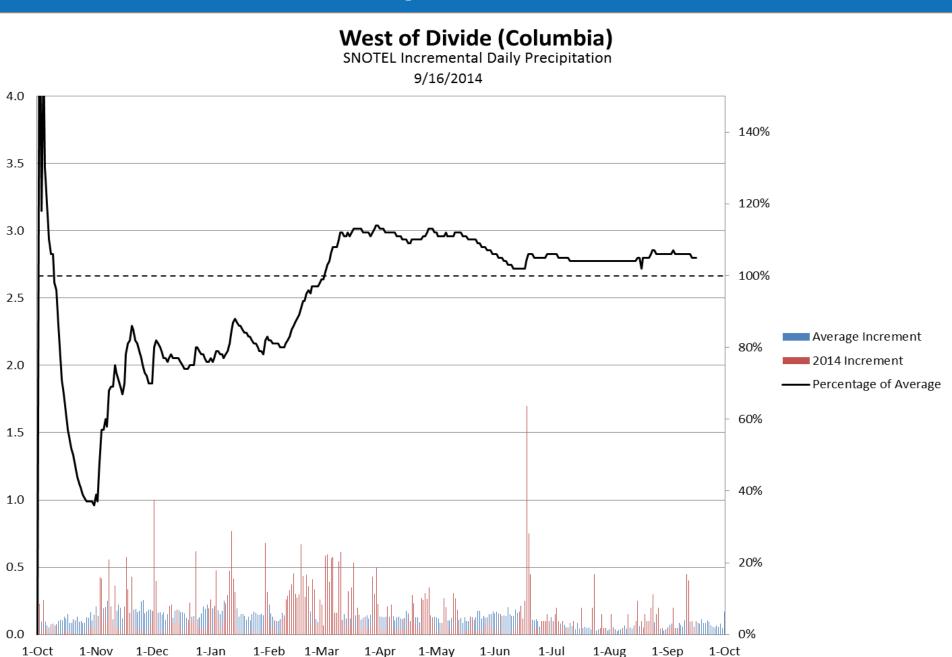




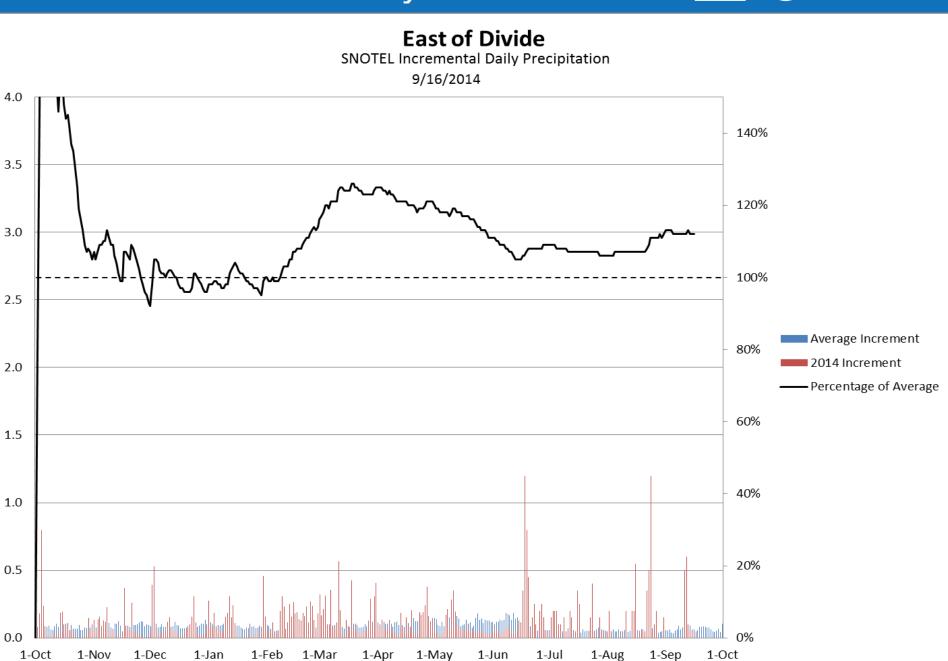


- Overall, surface water supply and storage has been ample this spring/summer
- Two basin SWSIs slightly dry conditions(negative on SWSI scale)
 - Kootenai River basin above Libby Dam: -1.1 (influenced by CA releases)
 - Beaverhead River basin: -1.3 (up from -2.7 on August 1st)







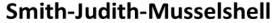








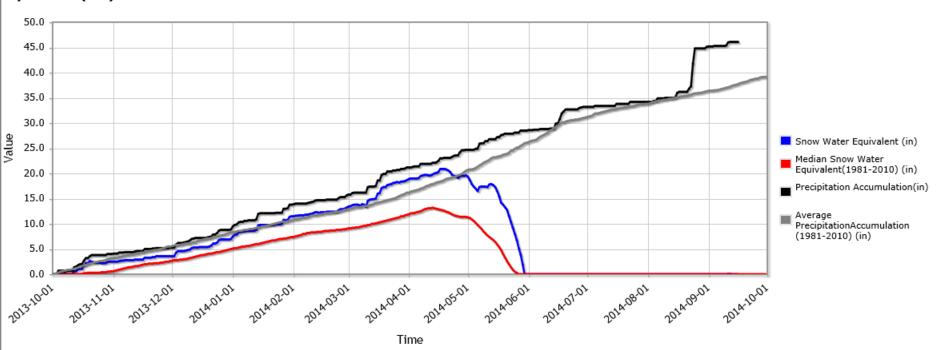




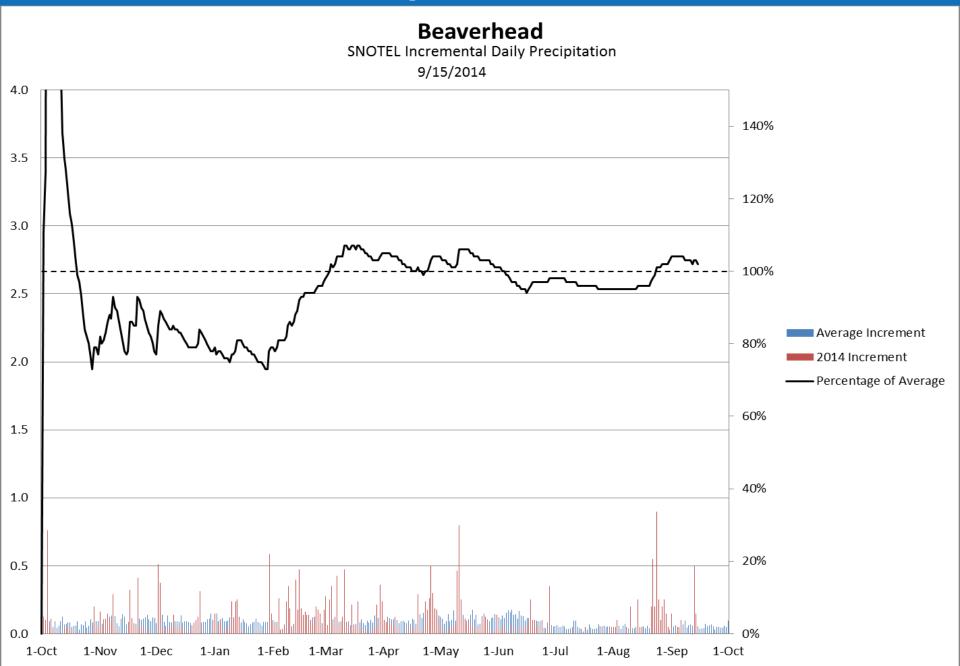
SNOTEL Incremental Daily Precipitation 9/15/2014



Crystal Lake (427) Montana SNOTEL Site - 6050 ft







Current Month

<50%

70 - 89%

90 - 109%

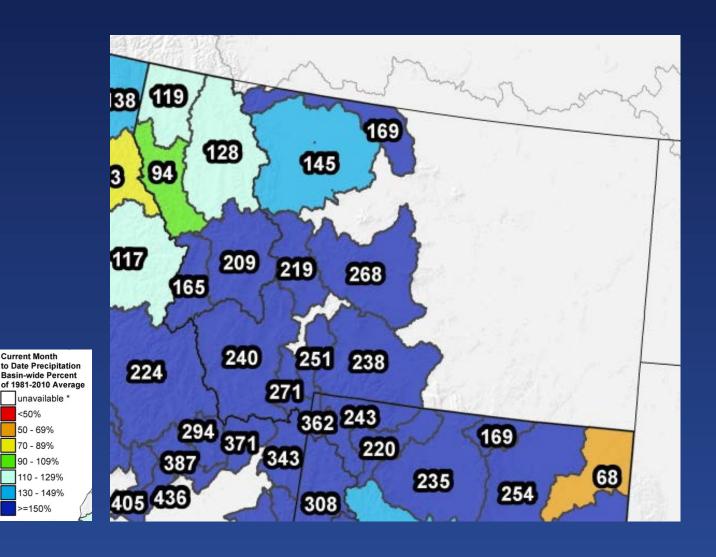
110 - 129%

130 - 149%

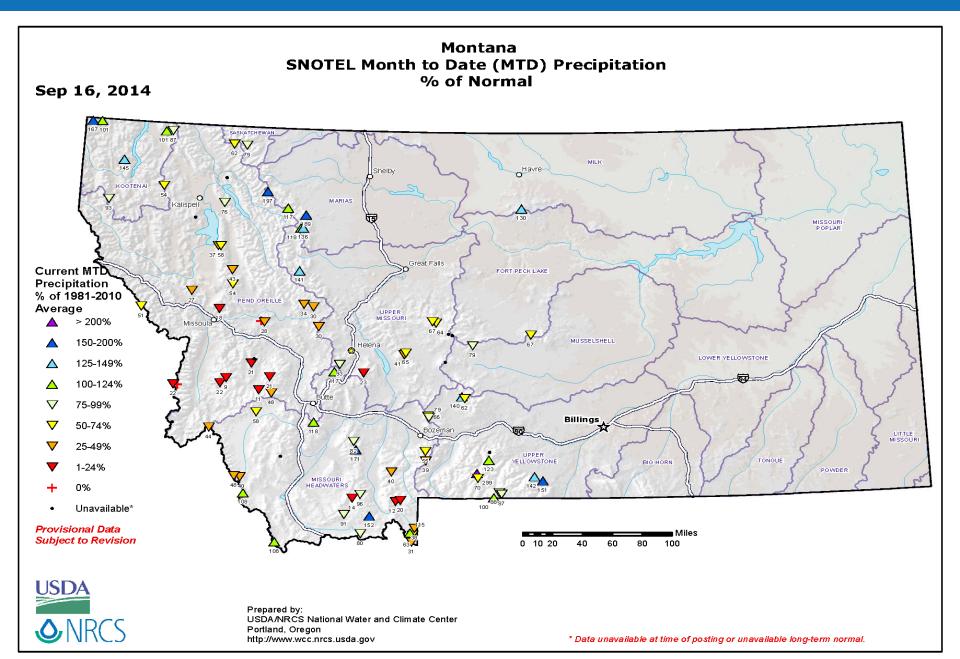
>=150%



August Mountain Precipitation









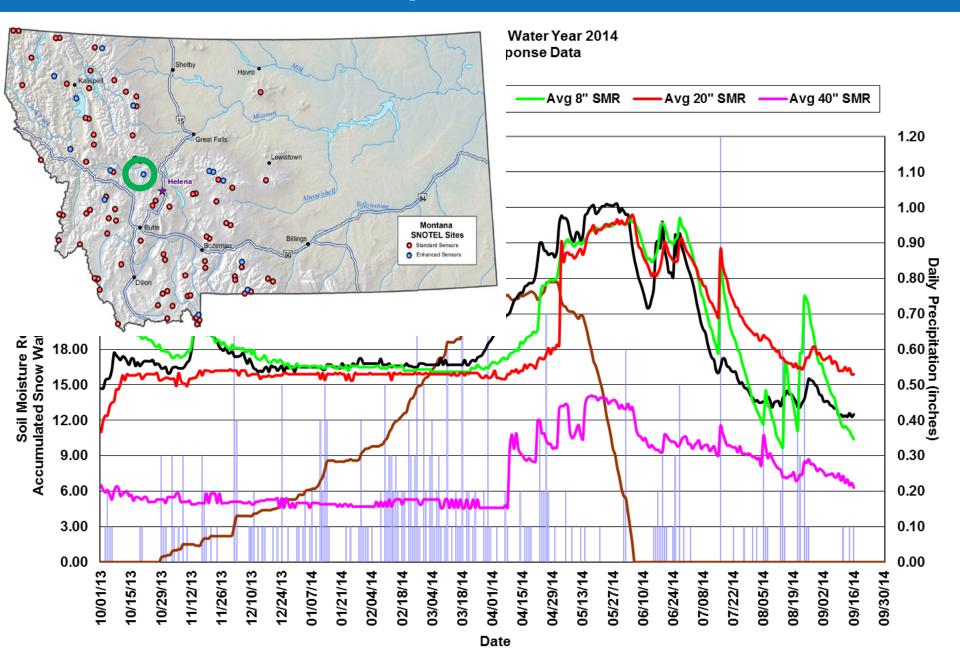
August 23-26th Precipitation Event

Highlights:

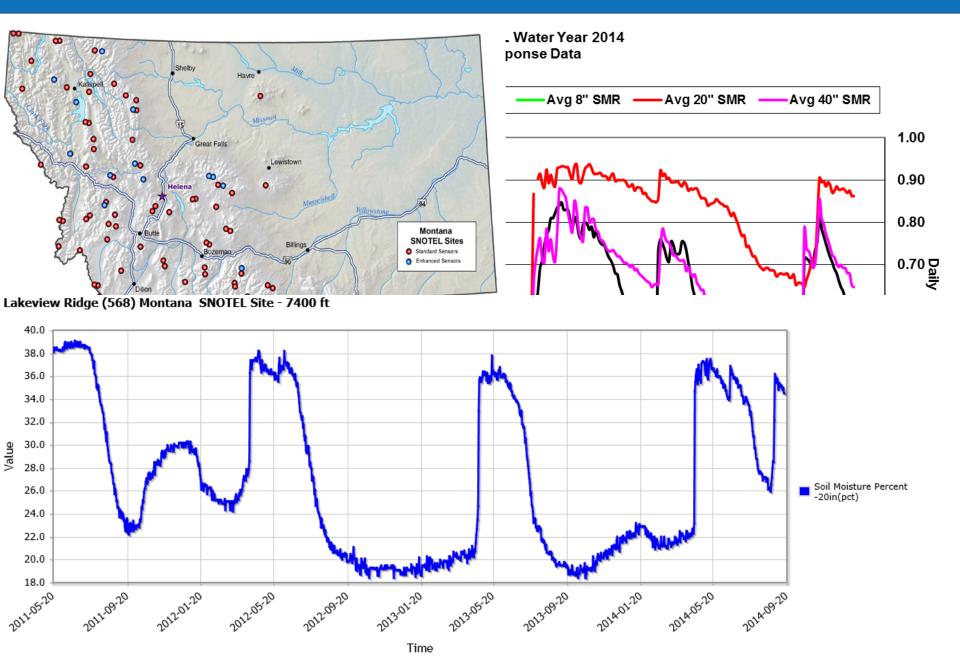
- Crystal Lake SNOTEL in the Snow Range received 8.6" of precipitation during the event.
 The month of August yielded 11.0", or 423% of average precipitation.
- The Smith-Judith Musselshell River Basin received 273 percent of normal August mountain precipitation. The water year to date percentage of average rose from 102 percent of average to 114 percent during this one event.
- Parched SW Montana SNOTEL locations in the upper Beaverhead drainage received 1.0 to 1.5" of precipitation during the event. Since September 1st, this area has been favored for precipitation receiving 140% to 205% of average.

SNOTEL site	Precip (in)	Location
Crystal Lake	8.6	Big Snowy Range
Rocky Boy	4.7	Sweetgrass Hills
Rocker Peak	4.7	Boulder Mountains
Daisy Peak	4.4	Little Belts

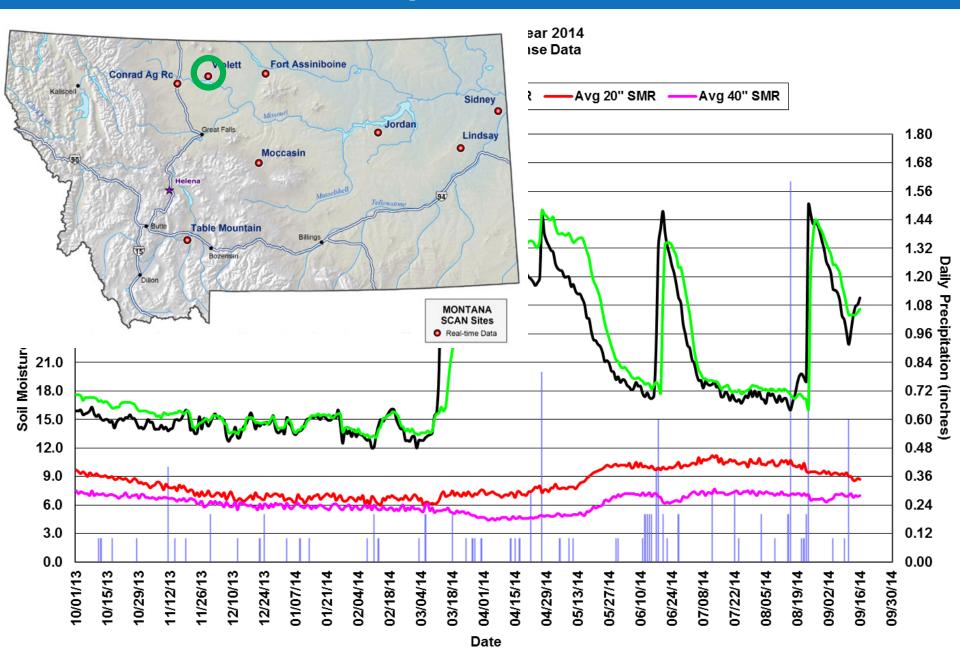




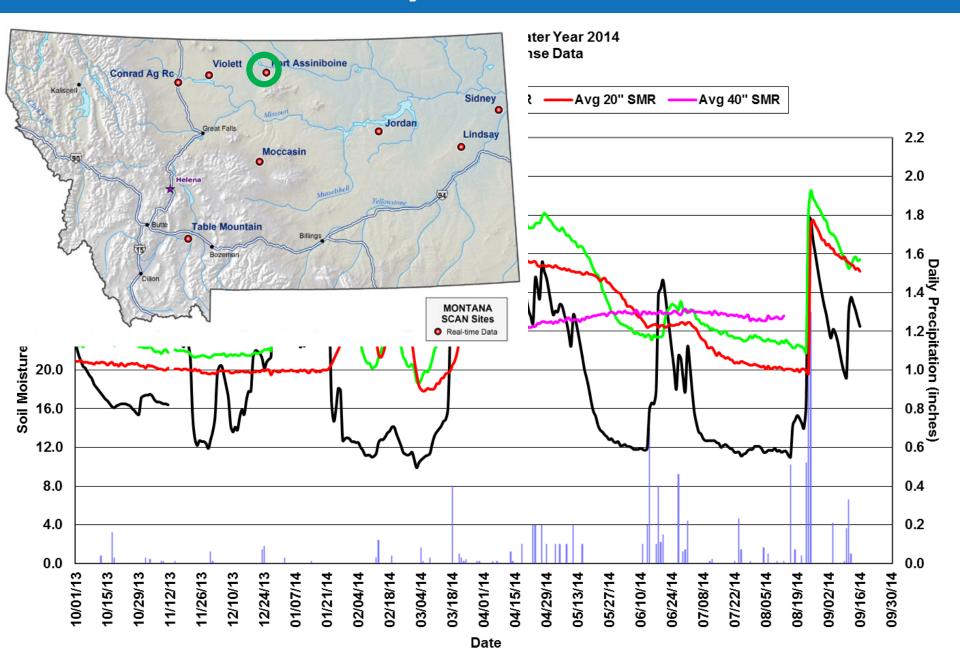




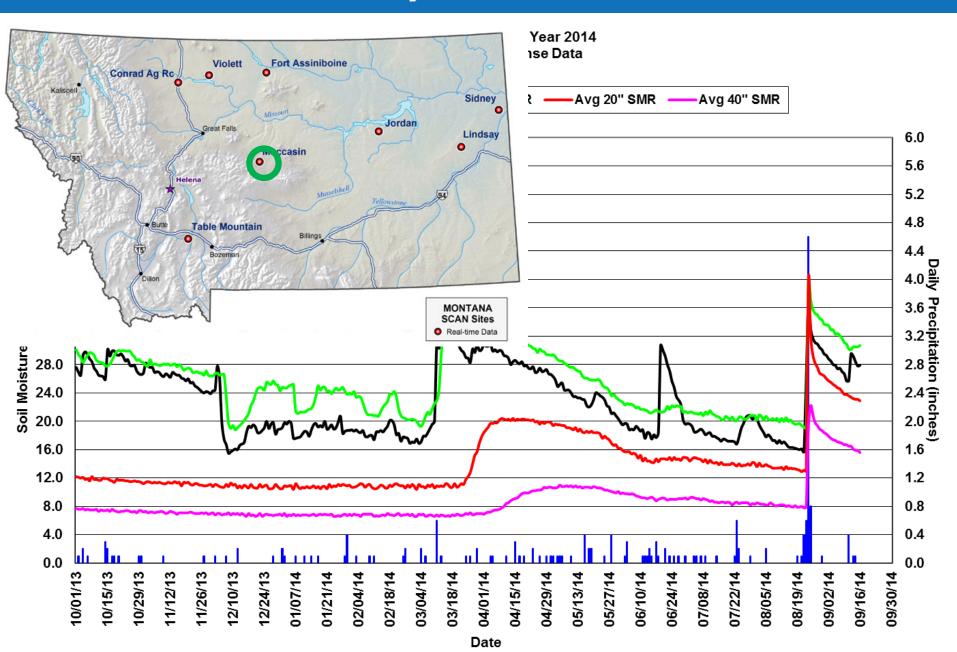




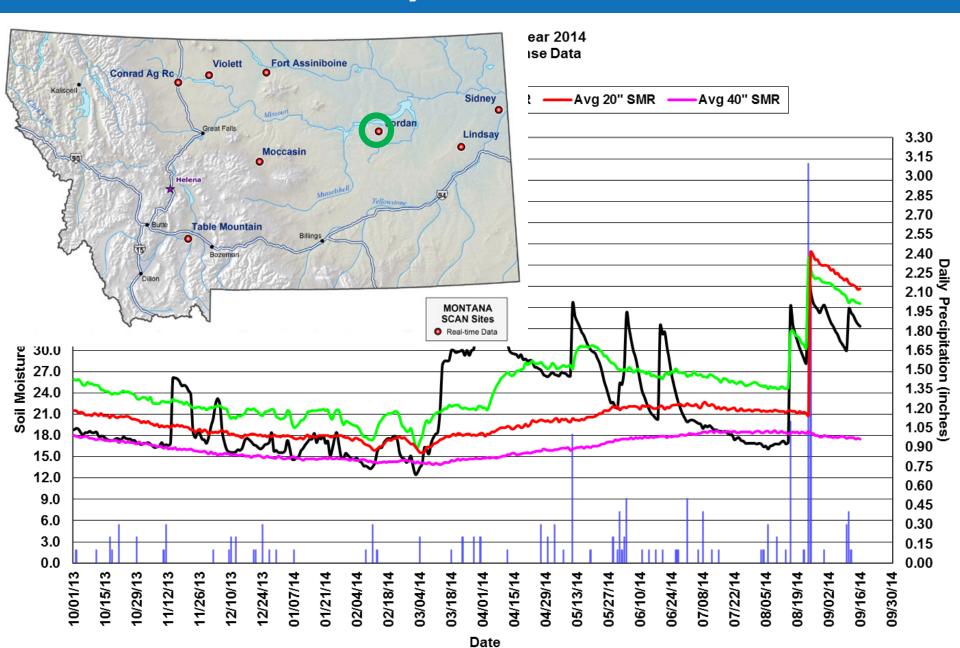




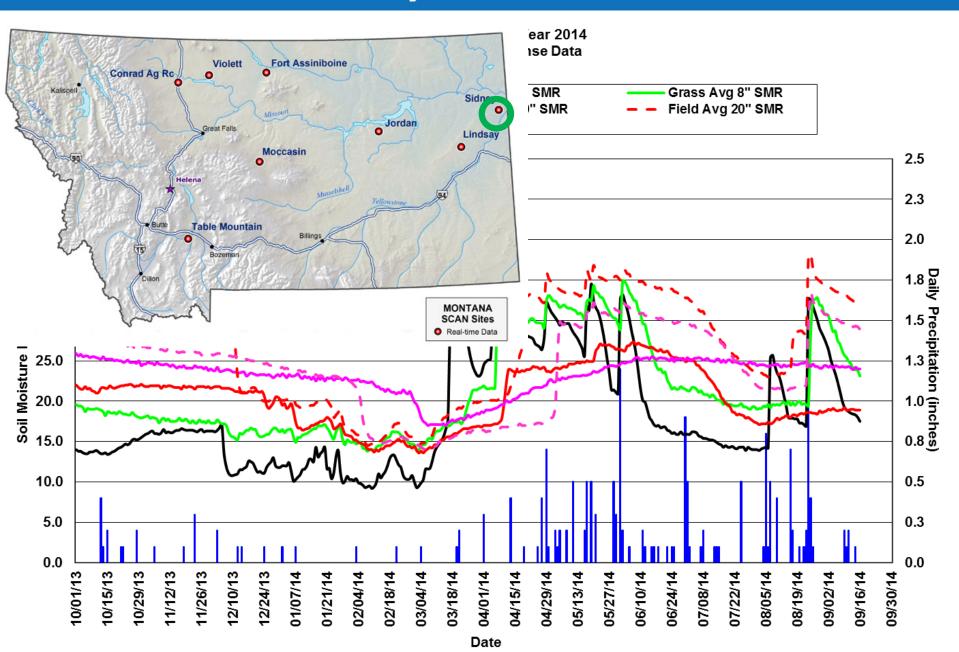














Historical Sept 16th Soil Moisture Values

SNOTEL/SCAN Site	2011 20" SMR	2012 20" SMR	2013 20" SMR	2014 20" SMR
Sleeping Woman (Flathead & Lclark)	2.5	1.5	0.5	2.2
Nevada Ridge (Upper Clark)	17.7	11.3	11.1	15.9
Lakeview Ridge (Beaverhead)	23.4	20.5	19.4	34.5
Violett SCAN (native grass)	13.9	10.2	10.0	8.7
Fort Assiniboine (native grass)	19.7	18.3	21.9	30.2
Moccasin SCAN (native grass)	12.7	11.5	12.8	22.5
Jordan SCAN (native grass)	22.1	19.8	22.3	38.7
Sidney SCAN (native grass)	15.6	16.2	17.7	12.9

^{*}Note that values are un-adjusted for soils types and are a relative index of wetness for sites



Summary

- Precipitation during the end of August and beginning of September have helped to improve the Surface Water Supply Indices in some basins east of the Divide.
- Many mountain weather stations received well above average precipitation during the month of August. The Northwest basins did not fare as well. The first half of September has brought near to slightly below average conditions for most locations.
- Central basins experienced an extreme event between August 22nd and 26th causing flooding on the Musselshell River.
- The last snowfall of the water year occurred on September 11th, 2014!
- Soil moisture values in the eastern half of the state are very high for this time of year due to the large event in August. As we transition into the new water year some surpluses may exist as we accumulate snow.



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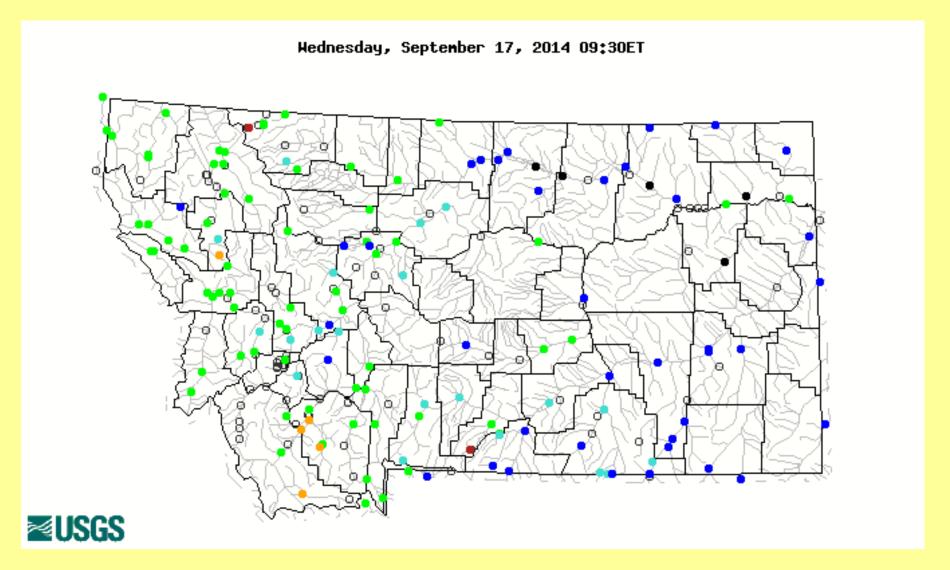
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DAILY STREAMFLOW CONDITIONS



Normal

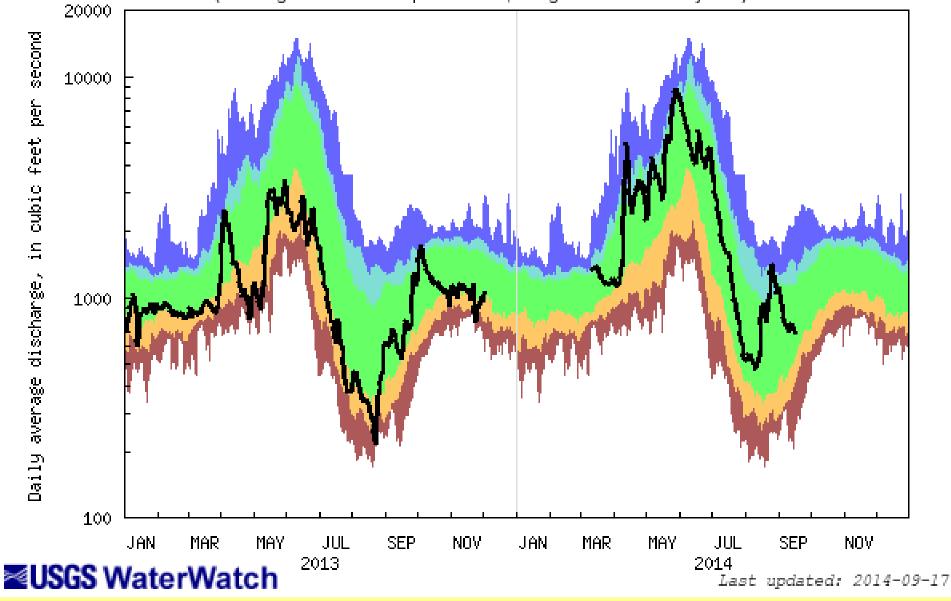
Record High Discharge for September 17

06154100 – Milk River near Harlem

06155030 - Milk River near Dodson

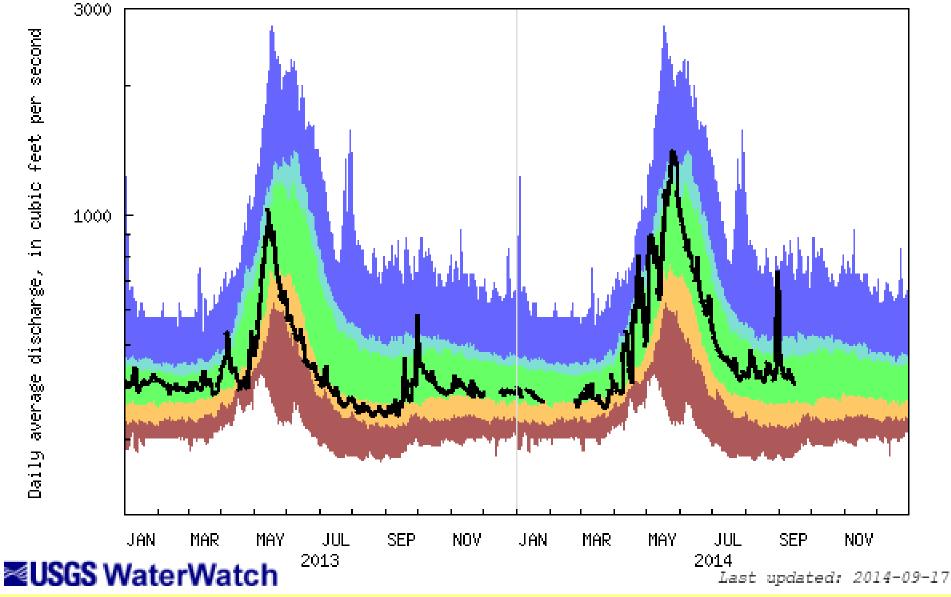
06172310 - Milk River at Tampico

USGS 06026500 Jefferson River near Twin Bridges MT (Drainage Area: 7632 square miles, Length of Record: 73 years)



Explanation - Percentile classes					
lowest- 10th percentile	10-24	25-75	76-90	90th percentile -highest	Flow
Much below normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal	

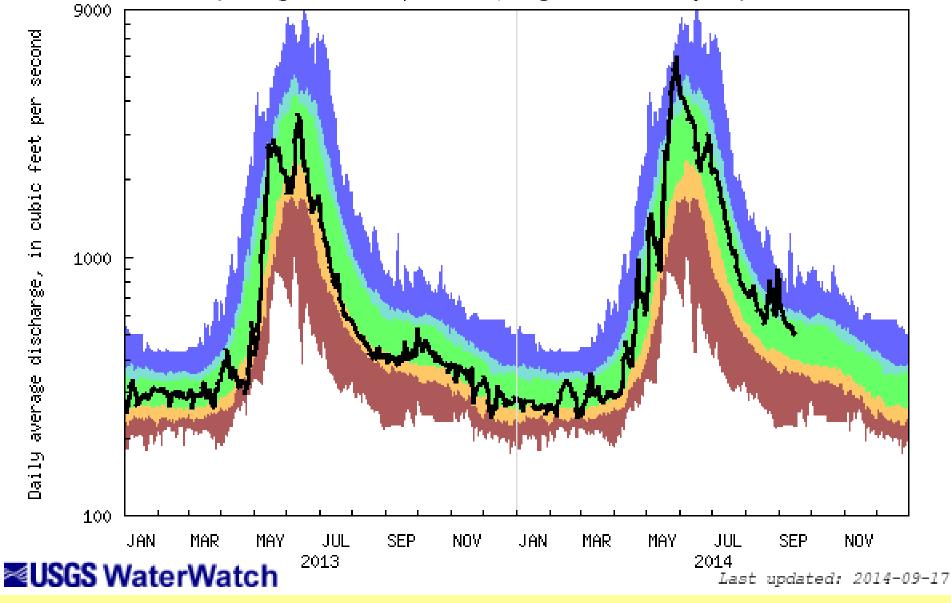
USGS 06037500 Madison River near West Yellowstone MT (Drainage Area: 420 square miles, Length of Record: 100 years)



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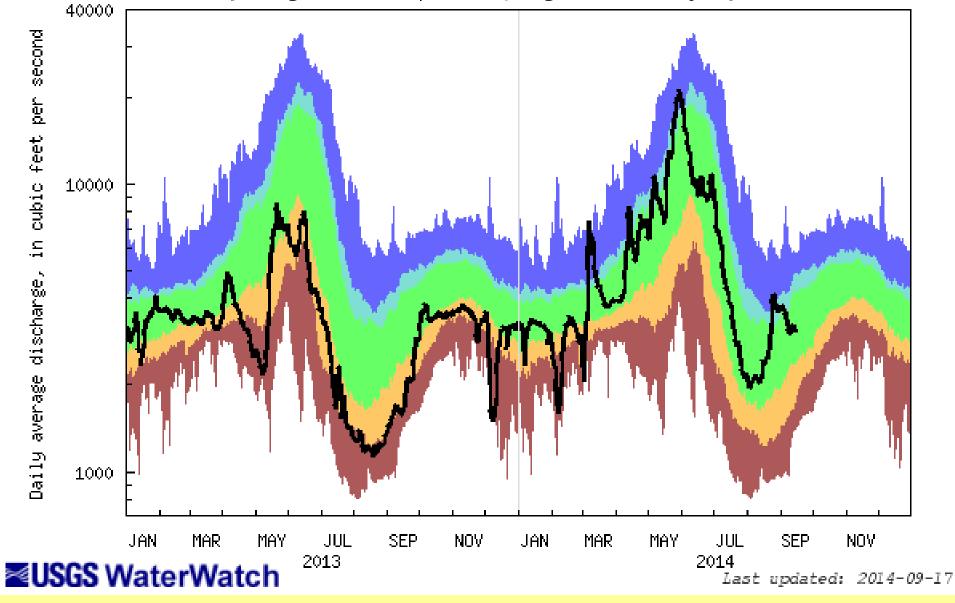
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10th percentile | 10-24 | 25-75 | 76-90 | 90th percentile | Flow |
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USGS 06043500 Gallatin River near Gallatin Gateway MT (Drainage Area: 825 square miles, Length of Record: 124 years)



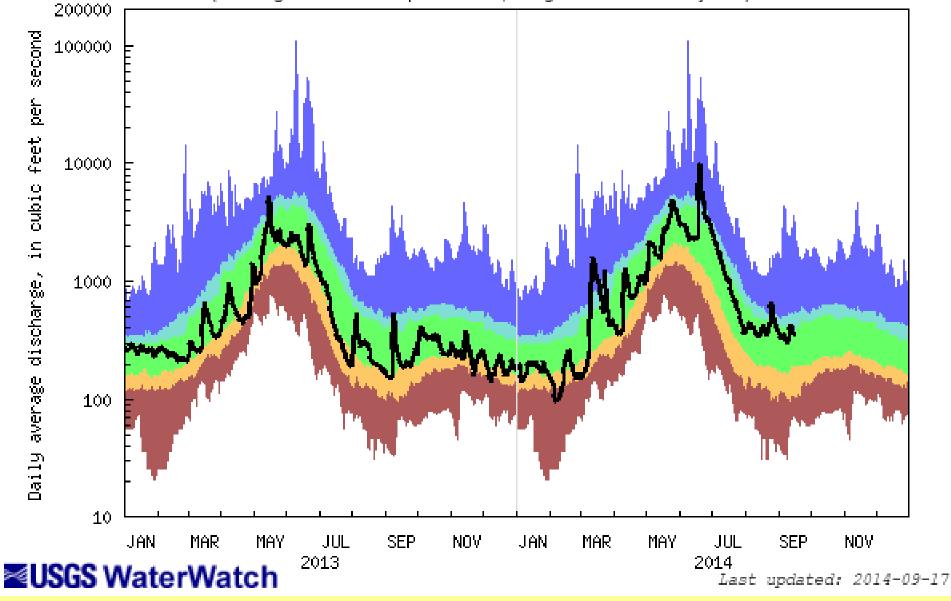
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USGS 06054500 Missouri River at Toston MT (Drainage Area: 14669 square miles, Length of Record: 123 years)



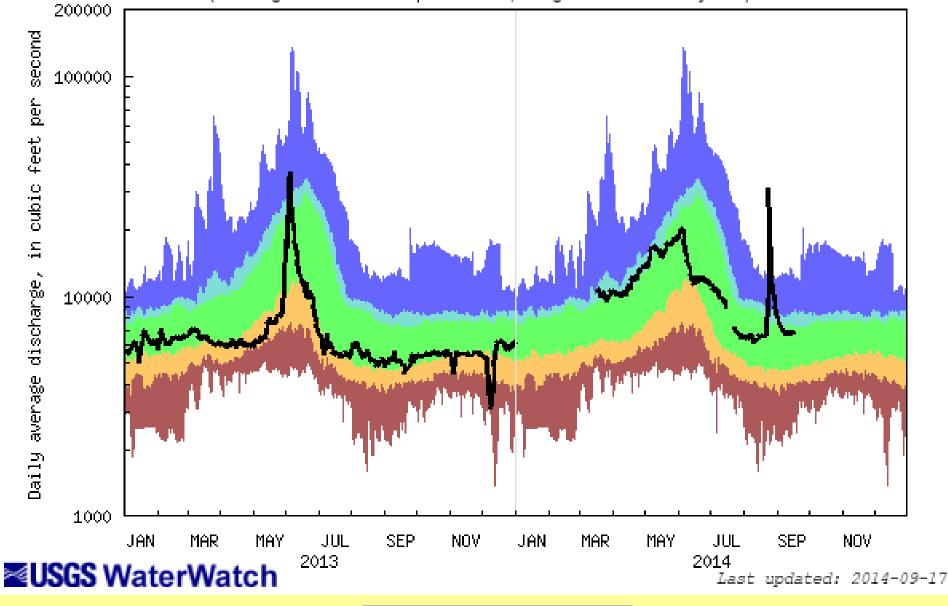
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USGS 06099500 Marias River near Shelby MT (Drainage Area: 3242 square miles, Length of Record: 111 years)



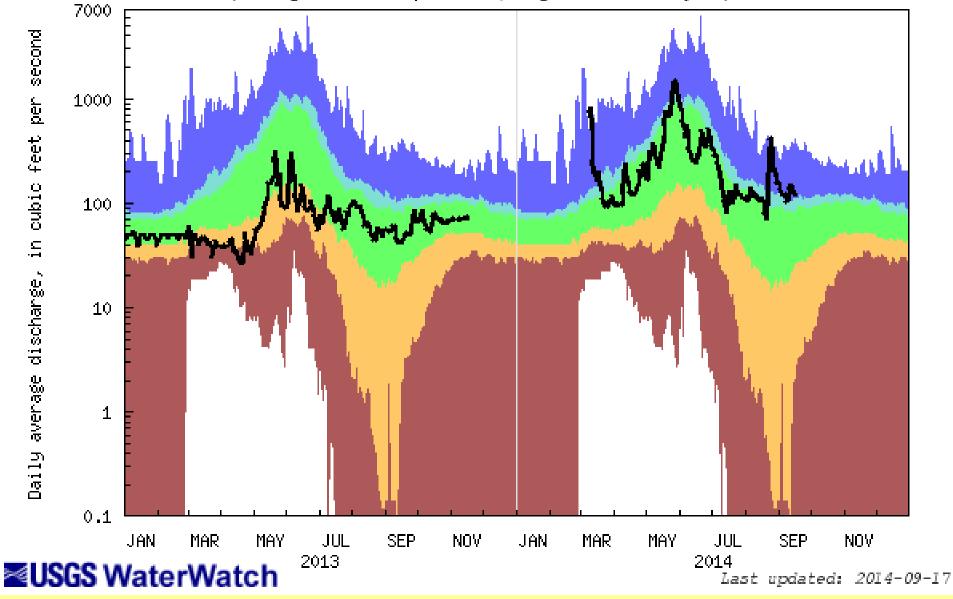
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USGS 06115200 Missouri River near Landusky MT (Drainage Area: 40987 square miles, Length of Record: 79 years)



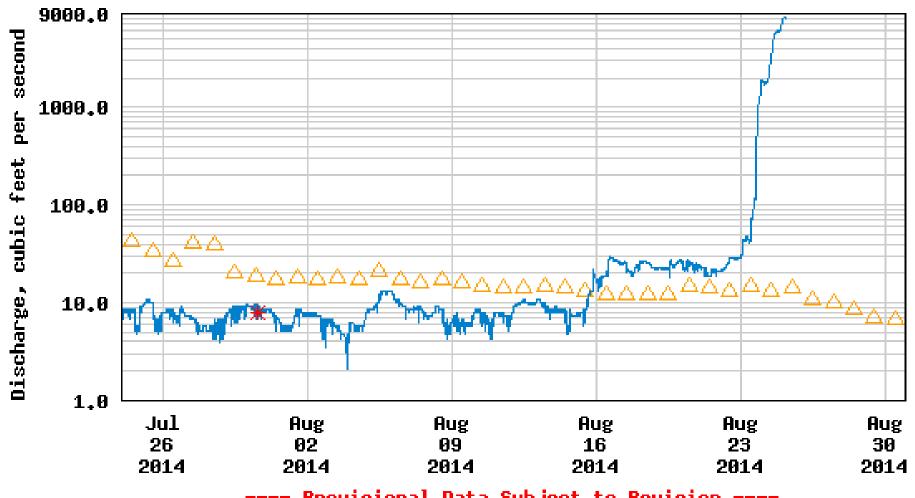
Explanation - Percentile classes								
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Much below normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal				

USGS 06120500 Musselshell River at Harlowton MT (Drainage Area: 1125 square miles, Length of Record: 106 years)



Explanation - Percentile classes							
lowest- 10th percentile	10-24	25-75	76-90	90th percentile -highest	Flow		
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USGS 06130000 Flatwillow Creek near Mosby MT



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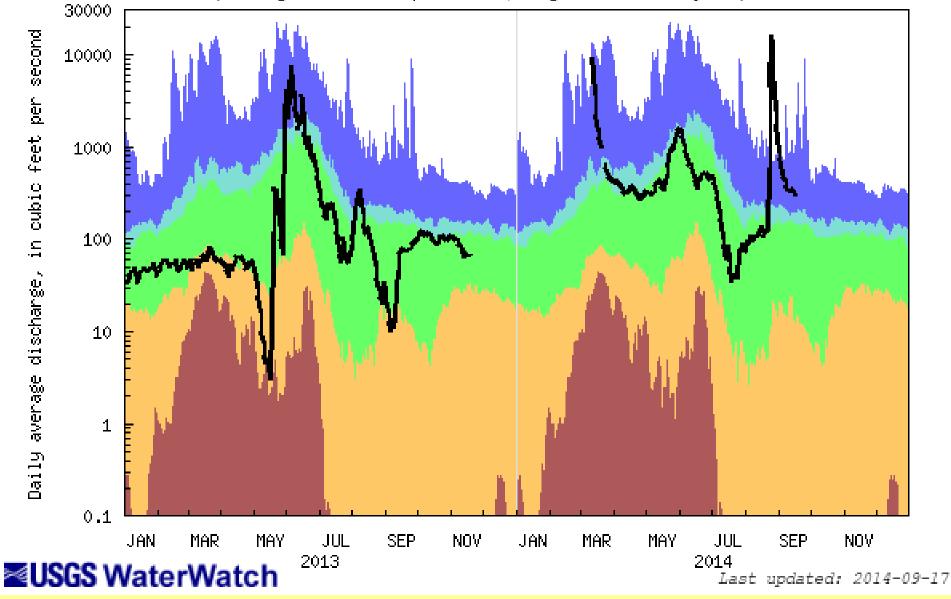
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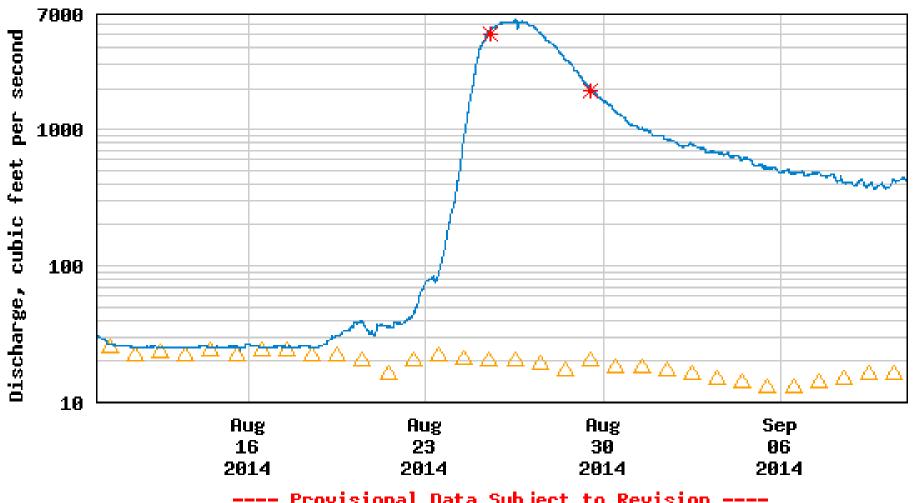


USGS 06130500 Musselshell River at Mosby MT (Drainage Area: 7846 square miles, Length of Record: 83 years)



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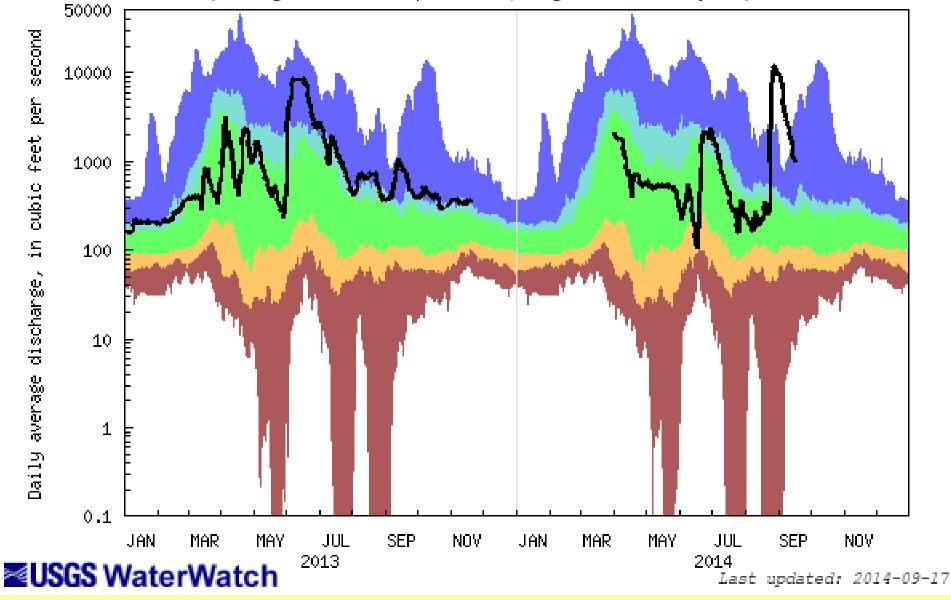
USGS 06155030 Milk River near Dodson MT



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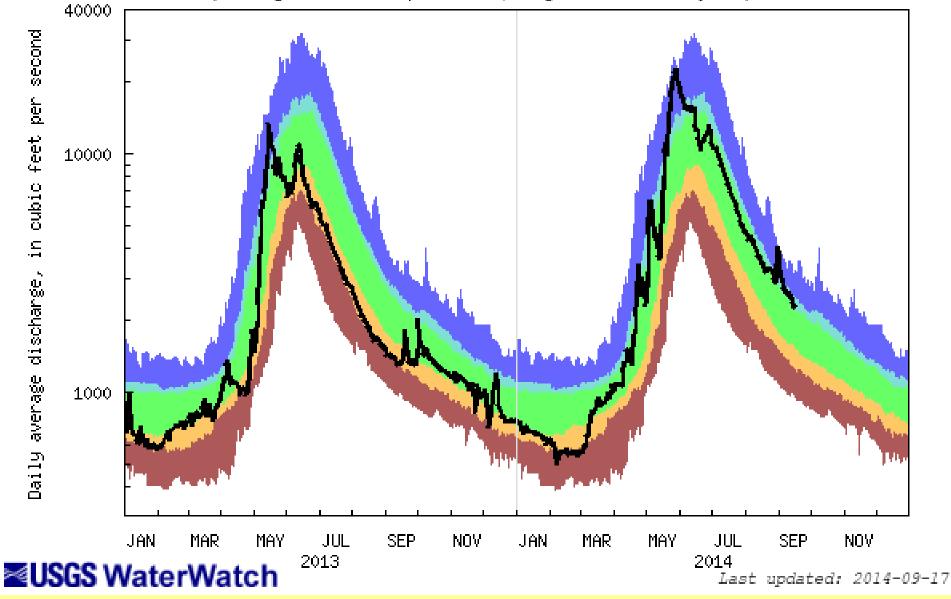
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USGS 06174500 Milk River at Nashua MT (Drainage Area: 22332 square miles, Length of Record: 74 years)

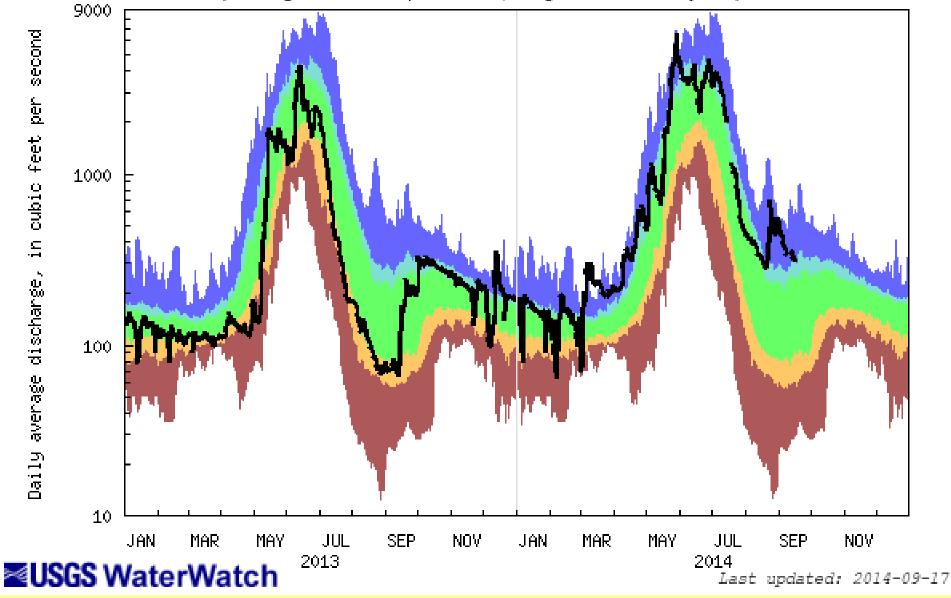


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USGS 06191500 Yellowstone River at Corwin Springs MT (Drainage Area: 2619 square miles, Length of Record: 124 years)

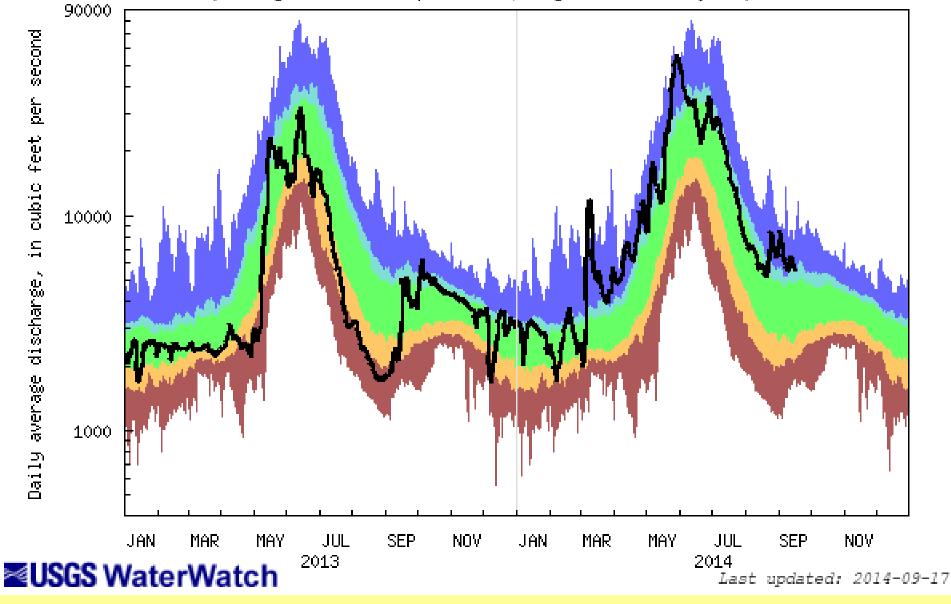


USGS 06200000 Boulder River at Big Timber MT (Drainage Area: 523 square miles, Length of Record: 66 years)



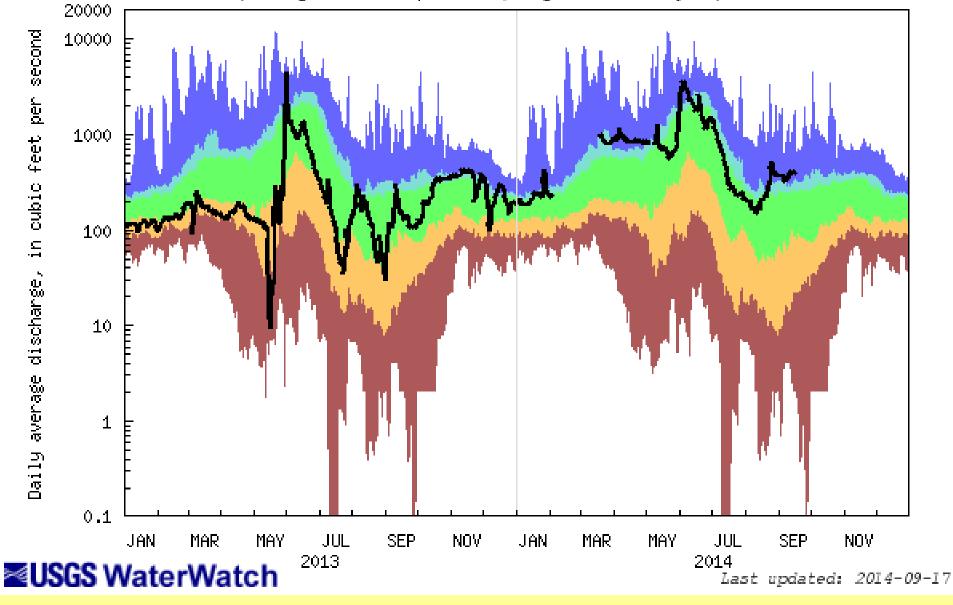
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USGS 06214500 Yellowstone River at Billings MT (Drainage Area: 11805 square miles, Length of Record: 85 years)



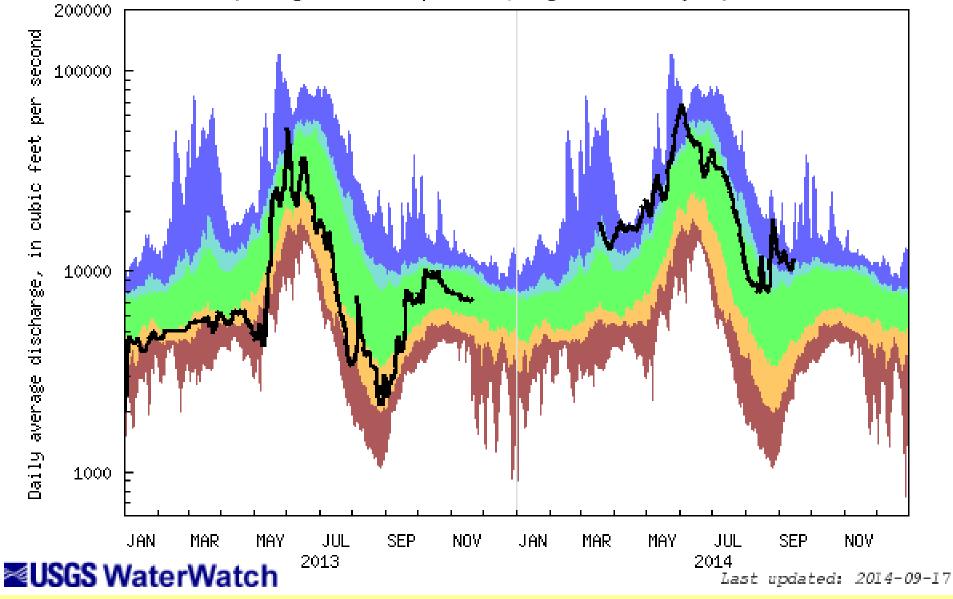
Explanation - Percentile classes								
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USGS 06308500 Tongue River at Miles City MT (Drainage Area: 5397 square miles, Length of Record: 75 years)



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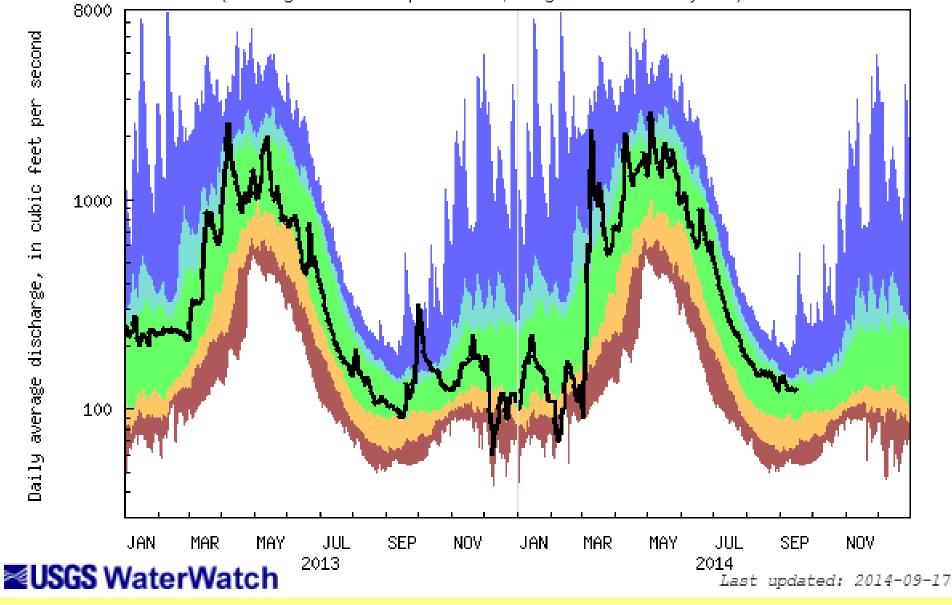
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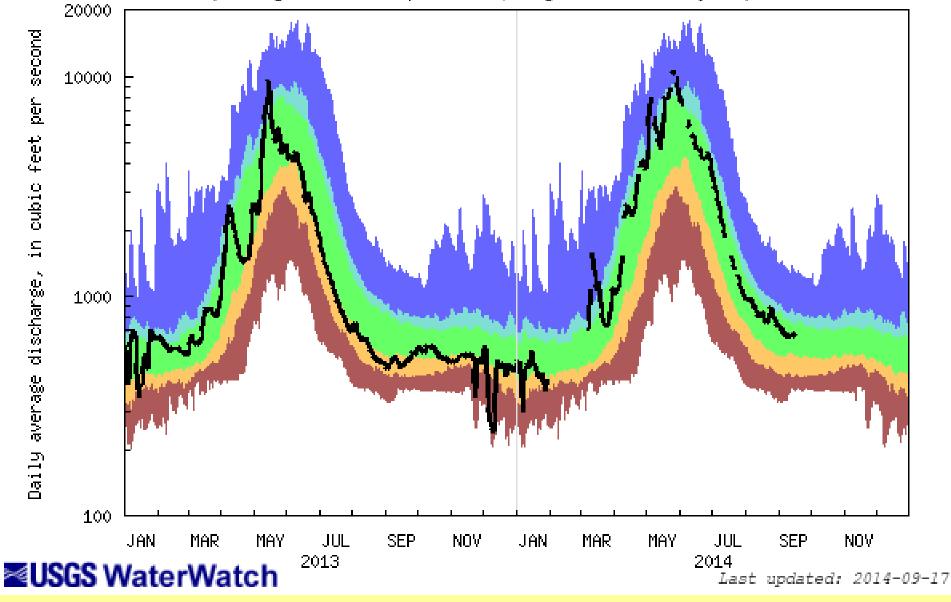
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| 10th percentile | 10-24 | 25-75 | 76-90 | 90th percentile | highest |
| Much below normal | normal normal | normal | normal | normal |

USGS 12302055 Fisher River near Libby MT (Drainage Area: 838 square miles, Length of Record: 46 years)



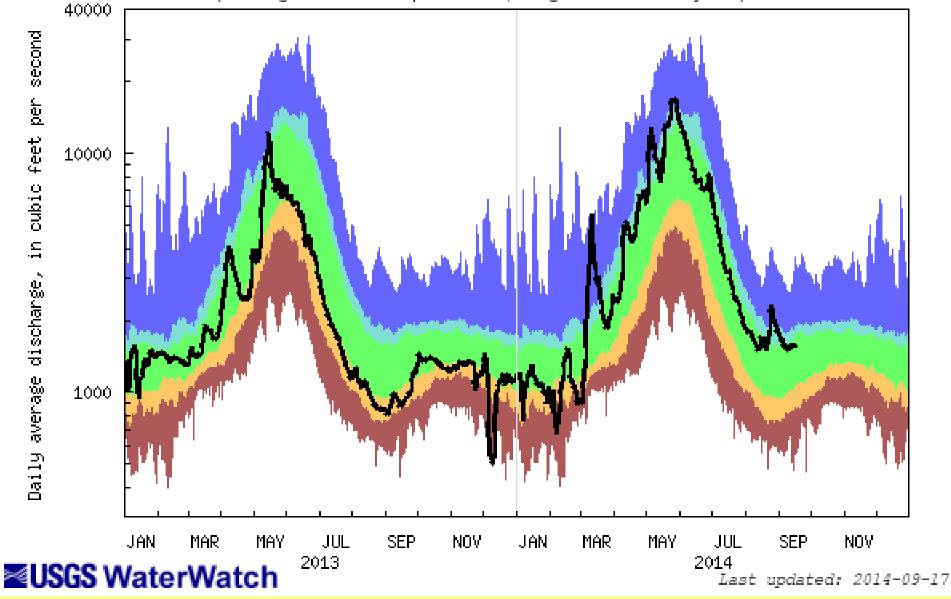
Explanation - Percentile classes								
lowest- 10th percentile	10-24	25-75	76-90	90th percentile -highest	Flow			
Much below normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal				

USGS 12340000 Blackfoot River near Bonner MT (Drainage Area: 2290 square miles, Length of Record: 115 years)



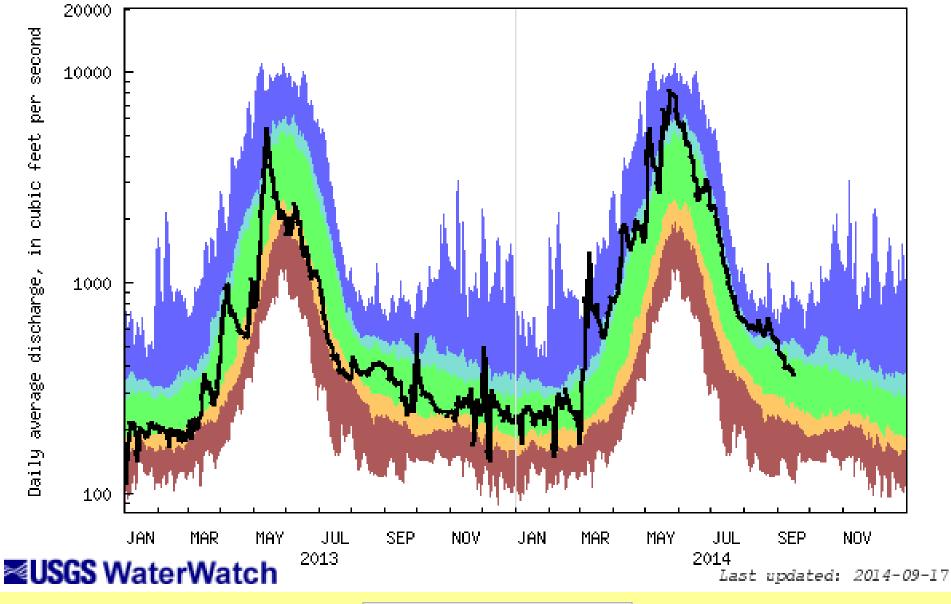
Explanation - Percentile classes							
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Much below normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal			

USGS 12340500 Clark Fork above Missoula MT (Drainage Area: 5999 square miles, Length of Record: 84 years)



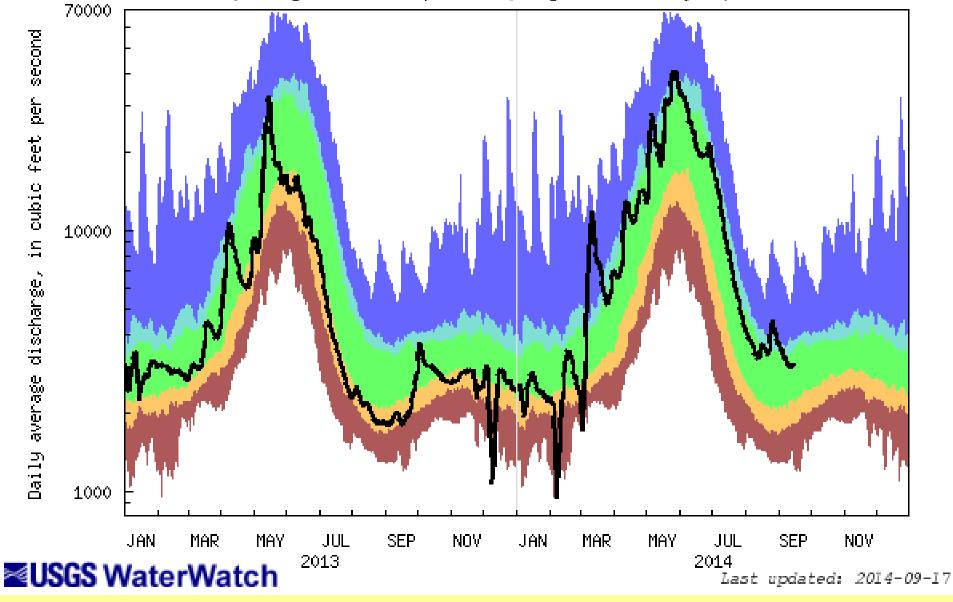
Explanation - Percentile classes						
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Much below normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal		

USGS 12344000 Bitterroot River near Darby MT (Drainage Area: 1049 square miles, Length of Record: 76 years)



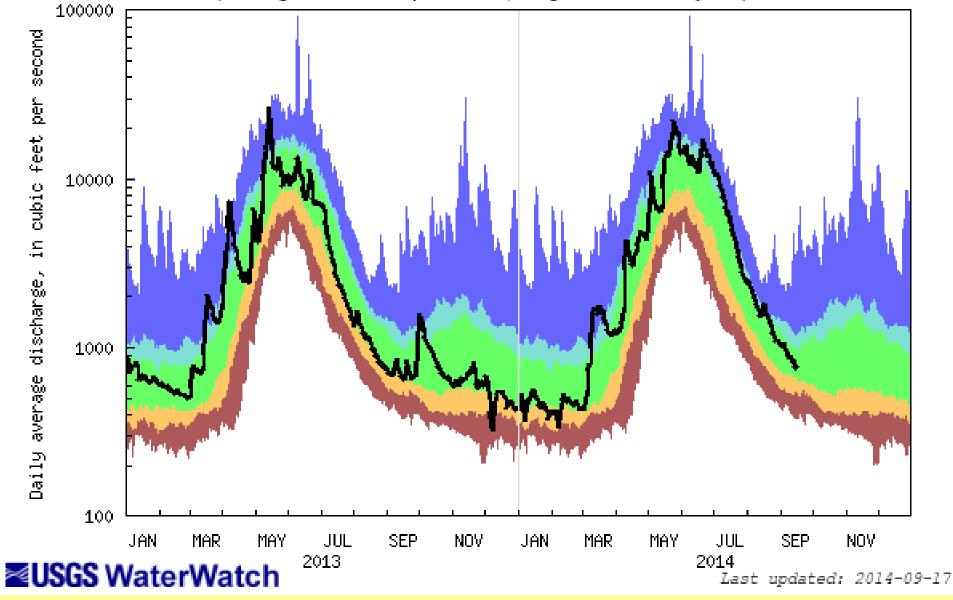
Explanation - Percentile classes						
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Much below normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal		

USGS 12354500 Clark Fork at St. Regis MT (Drainage Area: 10709 square miles, Length of Record: 84 years)



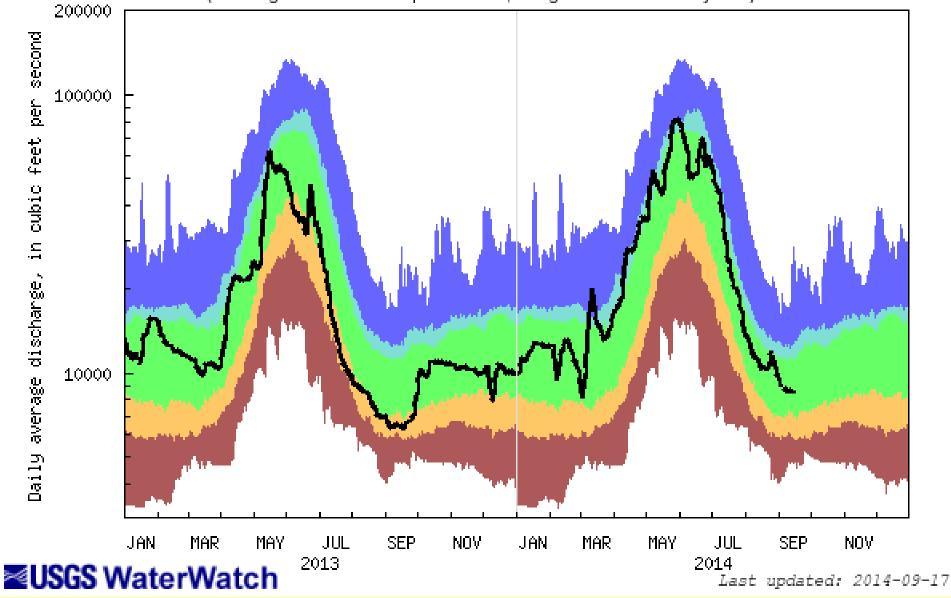
Explanation - Percentile classes					
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lowest- 10th percentile	10-24	25-75	76-90	90th percentile -highest	Flow
Much below normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal	

USGS 12358500 M F Flathead River near West Glacier MT (Drainage Area: 1128 square miles, Length of Record: 74 years)



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lowest-				2016	_
10th percentile	10-24	25-75	76-90	90th percentile -highest	Flow
Much below normal	Below normal	Normal	Above	Much above	

USGS 12389000 Clark Fork near Plains MT (Drainage Area: 19958 square miles, Length of Record: 103 years)



Explanation - Percentile classes					
lowest- 10th percentile	10-24	25-75	76-90	90th percentile -highest	Flow
Much below normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above	

